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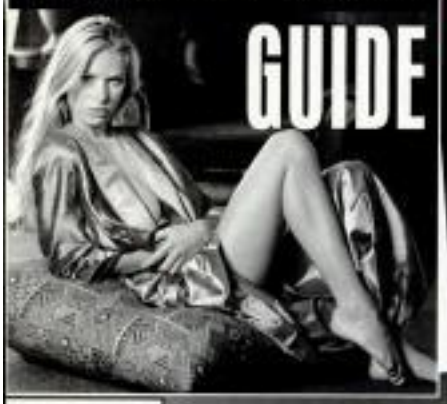

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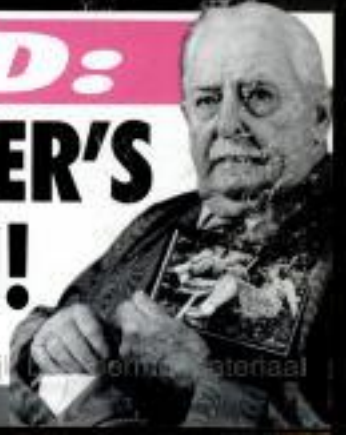

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PRISON SHOCKER: Housewife super glues herself to jailhouse lover during passionate embrace!

By JOE BERGER
Weekly World News

AUCKLAND, New Zealand — Love-hungry housewife Paulette Deck was so stuck on convicted killer Bernie Gaits that she visited him in prison — and super glued her body to his!

Roly-poly Paulette, 33, and her hoosegow honey were pasted together in an awkward embrace for more than an hour before peeved prison officials finally pried them apart.

"It was a wonder we got them loose at all without skinning them alive," said flabbergasted guard Gerard Martin.

"They were stuck together pretty tight by the time we found them, so it took lots of pulling and scraping and snipping to get them unstuck. But we're professionals and we got the job done."

Passionate Paulette met Bernie while she was doing volunteer work at a prison, and she fell head over heels for the Romeo murderer.

Weeks later, the love-struck mother of three informed her hubby Henry that she planned to dump him and marry her jailbird beau the minute he's set free.

Cold-blooded Bernie, convicted of strangling his sleeping wife Serena in 1983, could be released on parole in 1998.

"I visited Bernie every chance I got, and things were fine until they decided to move him to a prison 150 miles away," perturbed Paulette later told reporters. "It just didn't seem fair, and we figured super glue was the perfect way to protest what they were doing."

So the shook-up sweeties glued their hands around each other's necks and stuck their tummies together — locking themselves in a clumsy lovers' hug.

"It took a while for the guard in the visitors' room to notice what we'd done, but when he did we suddenly had people pulling at us from all directions," Paulette recalled. "They had to work a long time to get us apart, but they were extremely gentle through it all — especially considering how mad they were."

But their schoolkid shenanigans were all for naught. The loverboy lifer was transferred to another prison, where poor Paulette's visits are limited to once a month.

Still, the determined damsel says she'll stand by her man till Hell freezes over.

"When my Bernie walks out that gate, I'll be there waiting for him," she vowed.

STUCK ON HER GUY!

LOVE-STRUCK Paulette Deck and her jailhouse beau Bernie Gaits squirted super glue on their hands and tummies and embraced. It took lots of pulling and scraping by

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If you're itching to spend some time with statuesque model Sabryna Taggart, you'd better be fit as a fiddle — because Sabryna's favorite hobbies are rock climbing, backpacking and riding her trusty dirt bike over hill and dale. You may recognize the 5-foot, 11-inch California belle from her stint as the 1994-95 Coors Light Girl.

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8 WAYS TO HEAL A BROKEN HEART!

By MIKE FOSTER / Weekly World News

A broken heart is one of life's most painful experiences — but you can make mending yours a snap by following these eight surefire tips from expert Philip Golabuk, author of *Recovering from a Broken Heart*:

♥ **DON'T BLAME YOURSELF.** "When we lose someone we love, we tend to think, 'I did something wrong. What could I have done to prevent this?' " notes Golabuk.

"Stay away from this sort of self-blame. You've already suffered enough."

♥ **BE PATIENT.** Healing a broken heart usually takes more time than you expect. Some people get upset because they're still hurting after three or four months. But the pain can take years to get over.

♥ **ACCEPT THAT YOU DID THE BEST YOU COULD.** Tell yourself that you're learning from the suffering and you'll be a better person for it.

♥ **DON'T TRY TO TOUGH IT OUT BY YOURSELF.** After your loss, you'll want to curl up and hide. Instead, seek comfort from friends, family, a support group or a counselor.

♥ **USE DEEP BREATHING.** Calm yourself with slow, deep breaths. "Good breathing is nature's tonic," said Golabuk. "Try it and you'll feel stress and pain gradually slide away."

♥ **RECALL THE WORST TIMES WITH YOUR EX.** Remind yourself that the bad things such as arguments and worries are also over.

♥ **TRY TO PUT OFF LONG-RANGE DECISIONS.** "Realize that you're not thinking clearly right now. Concentrate on emotional healing and taking care of yourself," said Golabuk.

♥ **BE YOUR OWN BEST FRIEND.** "Refuse to sit at home," advised the expert. "Treat yourself to a fancy dinner, take in a play or movie, visit some friends. Do what it takes to work through your pain."

Best places to hide your valuables!

The best places for hiding valuables at your home are in a plastic bag under dirty laundry in your hamper or washer, underneath heavy furniture, inside a ceiling panel or in a sealed container buried in your yard, crime prevention experts say.

Among the worst places is the refrigerator — because munchy burglars often rummage there for food!

Are you stuck with an 'average' guy?

Your man is an "average Joe," ladies, if he:

- **Stands 5 feet, 9 inches tall.**
- **Daydreams mostly about sex.**
- **Won't go to the doctor unless it's an emergency.**
- **Prefers white over colored underwear.**
- **Doesn't like to dance.**
- **Falls in love six times during his life.**
- **Won't stop to ask for directions while driving.**
- **Takes out all the household's garbage.**
- **Has sex three times a week.**
- **Would rather take a shower than a bath.**

BARBIE DOLL ENCOUNTERS

A staggering nine of 10 American girls between the ages of 3 and 11 have at least one Barbie doll,

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CHAIN-SMOKING CONTESTS ARE KILLING CHINA'S TOP STUDENTS!

By JOE BERGER / *Weekly World News*

BEIJING — China's cigarette-crazy students love to test their toughness by seeing who can smoke the longest without coming up for air — and dozens of nitwit kids have literally puffed themselves to death!

"These smoking contests are the latest fad among teenagers from Nanking to Lan-chou — and often the young people pay for their stupidity with their lives," said heartsick school official Shih Yung-kuei.

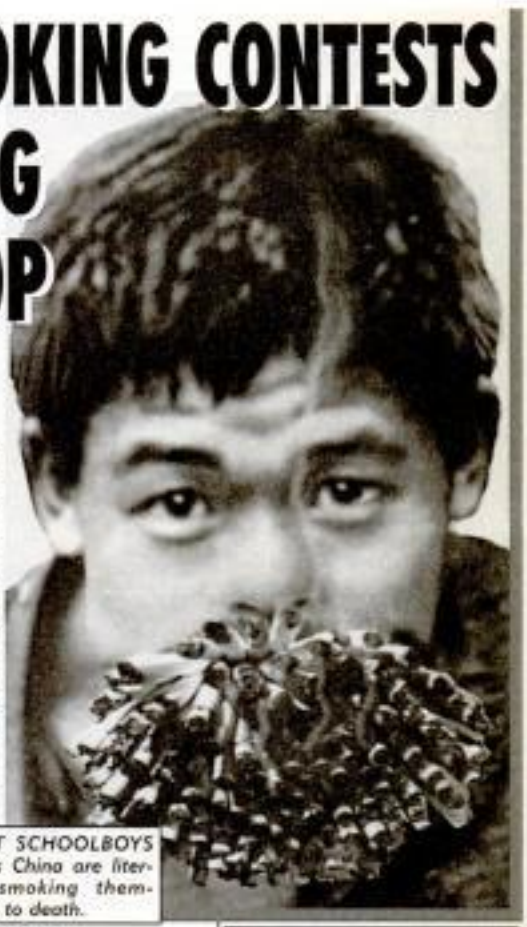
"They puff away for hours on end, and many times they collapse and die of nicotine poisoning.

"But the kids won't quit because the ones who survive are heroes — and the girls all want to go out with a guy who's won a smoking contest and lived to tell about it."

Happy-go-lucky honors student Tsai Chang-chou, 17, became the latest victim of the crackpot craze last month when he chain-smoked 183 cigarettes in 6 hours and 13 minutes to win a contest in Guiyang — then slumped to the floor dead.

"I begged my boy not to get into something so dangerous, but he was feeling the peer pressure. He said all his friends were entering the contest and they would call him a coward if he stayed out," said his devastated dad Huang, 38.

"So he won the admiration of his idiot friends and lost his life doing it. The poor kid dreamed of being a doctor — but now his



IDIOT SCHOOLBOYS across China are literally smoking themselves to death.

Latest winner smoked 183 cigarettes — & dropped dead!

battles of the butts are often organized by local businessmen who offer prizes to the winner — and charge townsfolk to watch the contestants smoke till they croak.

But outraged government officials say they're about to crack down on the sicko contests — and possibly impose the death penalty against anyone who organizes these disgusting events or entices teenagers into taking part in a puff-off.

"If we put two or three of these crazy businessmen before a firing squad, the others ought to get the

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Frantic parents tell shocked TV audience:

SPACE ALIENS STOLE OUR SON!

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS EXCLUSIVE

By LISA MERAKIS

SAN PEDRO SULA, Honduras — The grief-stricken parents of a 2-year-old kidnapped boy caused a sensation when they told a television news conference that they saw their son abducted by space aliens!

The couple, Luis and Maria Munoz, say they were with their son in their backyard on August 4 and watched in horror as a spherical UFO swooped down and two seven-foot-tall creatures grabbed the boy and placed him aboard the craft.

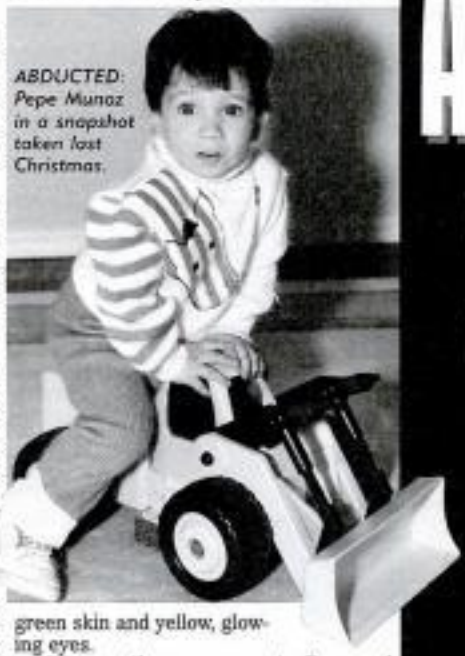
But police are skeptical. They believe the child, Pepe Munoz, was taken by criminals for sale on the black market. The Munozes said they called their news conference to give their version of events, insisting their bizarre story of Pepe's abduction is supported by numerous eyewitness accounts from neighbors.

"We have told our story to police investigators but so far they refuse to take us seriously," said Luis Munoz, a 31-year-old car dealer.

"Maria and I aren't dreaming — we saw space aliens take our son. You can still see the marks where the spaceship landed. Our son has vanished into thin air and we want someone to do something about it."

In their emotional news conference, the boy's distraught parents described seeing the glowing spacecraft that took the boy. They say they tried to call out to Pepe but they were paralyzed, unable to move or speak.

"First we saw a spherical aircraft with white lights on the side hovering in the sky over Pepe," the tense and exhausted Munoz said in his television appearance. "The craft landed near our boy and two large man-like creatures got out. They had green skin and yellow, glowing eyes.



ABDUCTED: Pepe Munoz in a snapshot taken last Christmas.

"We saw them run over to Pepe and grab him. They got back into the spacecraft and the UFO vanished in seconds."

San Pedro Sula police insist they are investigating the boy's disappearance, and that they are looking into all angles of the case.

"Apparently there were bright lights hovering over the area around the time the child disappeared on August 4," said police spokesman Geraldo Prado. "And some of the people who live in the area say they saw a fast-moving disc-shaped object in the sky.

"However, our investigations indicate there is a child theft ring operating in this community. We're looking at four other abductions in the same time period. Maybe Pepe fell victim to the same kidnappers."

But neighbors say they've only had brief discussions with police about the child's disappearance. At least two families who live nearby told reporters they witnessed strange bright lights hovering over their neighborhood on the night of Pepe's disappearance.

GRIEF-STRICKEN: Luis and Maria Munoz hold a photo of

Five killed when body leaps from coffin!

BUJUMBURA, Burundi — Five hitchhikers riding on a truck bed were literally scared to death when a coffin next to them opened and a body jumped out!

The hitchhikers were so startled that they leaped to their deaths from the fast-moving truck.

Authorities said the five men hitched a ride with a truck driver and his partner who were transporting a coffin to bury a relative.

The partner decided to take a nap in the coffin and pulled the lid shut to protect himself from the rain.

When the partner woke up, he climbed out of the coffin and scared the hitchhikers silly, causing them to leap off the truck to their grisly deaths on the road below.

Men laugh more than women!

The average American man laughs three times a day, while the average woman laughs only two times a day, according to a recent survey.

This proves once more

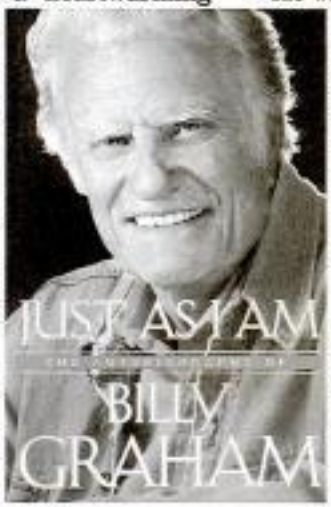
Words of hope for the 20

Dr. Billy

By GEORGE SANFORD
Weekly World News

"The best is yet to be!" That is Billy Graham's upbeat prophesy about the fate that awaits mankind in the year 2000 — the start of the new millennium.

The legendary evangelist has touched the hearts of millions around the world with his famous crusades. Now, for the first time, Dr. Graham — who has been a friend and confidant to every U.S. president since Eisenhower — is telling his life story in an inspiring new autobiography, *Just As I Am*. In the book, the revered 78-year-old preacher also delivers a heartwarming message of hope for the millennium.



REV. GRAHAM'S optimistic new book, Just As I Am.

He indicates that Doomsday WON'T necessarily arrive in the year 2000 as other Bible experts have predicted, and there could be plenty of time before Jesus returns to Earth to judge mankind.

"What new opportunities await us in the new millennium, if God grants us more time before Christ comes again?" he asks.

The answer, he says, is a chance to save the souls of every living American!

As the millennium approaches, Dr. Graham predicts, there will likely be a backlash against sinful behavior, giving religion a new chance to blossom.

"The growing secularism and moral chaos of our age may actually make many people more open to the gospel.

"It will be an exciting time to be alive!"

The religious leader does admit, however, that things will probably get worse before they get better. As the year 2000 approaches, he warns, our nation's moral decay will worsen.

"American Christians will face new challenges. Rampant, aggressive secularism may force Christians onto the defensive or even reduce them to a despised minority. It has happened before. And the loss of our children to drugs or sensualism or the moral relativism propagated by mass entertainment does not bode well for our future."

Worse still, evil ideologies even more dangerous than Communism could sweep the world in the next few years, Dr. Graham suggests. "What new tyrannies will attempt to capture our world and what new ideologies will deceive humans to take the wrong path in life? Only God knows." Also, thanks to advances in global communication such as the Internet, foreign cultures will increasingly exert an influence on our society — not necessarily for the better, he notes.

"Developments in technology mean that the various societies now influence each other in ways we never could have envisioned a few generations ago.

"The world is changing, and with it the methods of evangelism will change also. But the message will NOT change, for it is timeless, meant for every generation."

That message, says the famed preacher, is that God loves us all.

"Our lives are never fulfilled and complete until His purpose becomes the foundation and center of our lives.

"He wants to fill our lives with meaning and purpose right now. Then He wants us to spend all eternity with Him in Heaven, free forever from the pain and sorrow and death of this world.

"Like any other gift, God's gift of salvation does not become ours until we accept it and make it our own. God has done everything possible to provide salvation.

"But we must reach out in faith and accept it."

The approaching millennium will bring with it many unsettling changes, he says.

"One thing will NOT change: God's love for humanity and His desire to see men and women yield their lives to Him and come to know Him in a personal way.

"No, I don't know the future, but I do know this: The best is yet to be. Heaven awaits us and that will be far, far more glorious than anything we can ever imagine."

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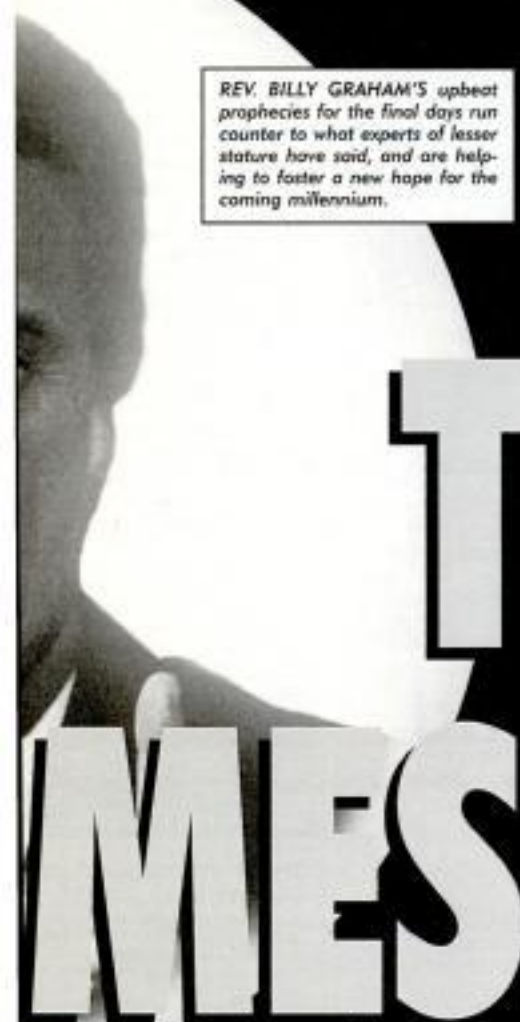

REV. BILLY GRAHAM'S upbeat prophecies for the final days run counter to what experts of lesser stature have said, and are helping to foster a new hope for the coming millennium.

Good WILL triumph over

The best is yet to

Tightwad tipper stabbed by waiter

MUNICH, Germany — Waiter Helmut Voss, 26, is accused of grabbing a kitchen knife and stabbing a diner to death — because the guy left him a measly tip!

Police say Voss counted up the loose change left by 61-year-old businessman Wilhelm Scherer, then ran after Scherer and stabbed him in the back as he left the ritzy restaurant. The waiter is awaiting trial on a charge of murder.

Expert: Space aliens DO have private parts

NEW DELHI, India — Relax: Space aliens may not really be as weird as you think, according to a new paper by a UFO researcher.

Many people who've seen E.T.s describe them as appearing to be completely sexless, with no visible genitalia. But Professor Sankar Rathanam believes the aliens are merely wearing formfitting space suits that conceal their sex organs.

"Countless reports of bedroom encounters between humans and visitors from space should be proof enough that aliens are sexual beings like ourselves," says the expert.

Wild West cowboys drank wimpy cocktails, NOT whiskey!

America's rootin'-tootin' Wild West gunslingers didn't saunter into a saloon and demand a shot of rotgut whiskey — they were much more likely to order a martini or a glass of fruit punch!

Researchers in Texas have discovered that most Old West cowpokes were crazy about cocktails. And one of the cowboys' favorites was a "thunder" — a shot of wine with an egg, powdered sugar and cayenne pepper, all shaken, strained and poured into a tumbler of ice.

Historians say bored bartenders in Wild West saloons

Scientists say: People of the future will be puny & bald!

Five thousand years from today, people will look downright weird, say anthropologists and other experts on evolution.

The humans who populate the jam-packed planet Earth in 6997 A.D. will be barely half as tall as today's average Homo sapiens, spindly, scrawny, and totally bald — including the women. And everybody's skin will be lighter.

"Some people say evolution ended 1,000 years ago, but that's rubbish," said anatomy professor Dr. Gabriel Lasker. "Changes are going on just as rapidly now as they ever were."

We'll look less robust 50 centuries from now, according to anthropologist Professor C. Loring Brace.

"We'll start to look like little old men in the future," said the anthropologist.

People will get paler and paler, Prof. Brace said. "Africans will be whiter, and Caucasians will be even paler."

Theoretical biologist Dr. Thomas Easton said, "Another difference will be a shorter jaw. That's already starting to happen through the loss of wisdom teeth."

The world population will swell to between 9 billion and 13.5 billion in another 5,000 years, predicted Dr. Easton.

"With a doubled or tripled world population, we'll be about half as tall as now because food will have to go at least twice as far," he said.

Military mayhem!

MOSCOW — The Russian army would be hard-pressed to fight an enemy right now because the troops are too busy killing each other!

In fact, officials say the army has lost more soldiers to violence within its own ranks since 1993 than it did in 10 years of war in Afghanistan.

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Dear Curious: This so-called boyfriend is using you but all is not lost. My crystal ball tells me that you will meet a man who really loves you next December. You'll be married shortly after your 19th birthday!

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Dear Serena: Somebody broke into my car last week and stole my purse, which had $500 cash in it. Please tell me who committed the crime, Serena, so I can tell the police. — Anxious in Los Angeles

Dear Anxious: As you already know, I contacted the police and gave them the name and address of the man who stole your purse. I don't want to print his name here because he's innocent until proven guilty. But he WILL be convicted by November!

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Write to: Weekly World News, Christie . . . Hollywood's Answer Girl, 600 East Coast Ave., Lantana, Fla. 33464-0002.

Q Does Glenn Close really keep the butcher knife she wielded in *Fatal Attraction* on display in her house?
— Joe B., Pasadena, Md.

TOO CLOSE FOR COMFORT: Glenn Close.

A You bet! The actress loves to hold onto mementos from her movies — including the scary prop she used as a psycho stalker in the hit thriller. "It's hanging near my kitchen pantry," Glenn revealed in an interview. "People always say, 'Is that what I THINK it is . . . ?' "

But the prop weapon is actually made of cardboard, she admits. "In the close-ups when I was near **Michael Douglas'** face, they wouldn't allow me to have a real knife!"

★ ★ ★

Q What ever happened to Maria Schneider, the brunette cutie who starred opposite Marlon Brando in the controversial 1972 sex sizzler *Last Tango in Paris*?
— Burt A., Chicago, Ill.

A Maria, 43, lives alone in Paris and recently made a comeback as nutso Mrs. Rochester in a remake of *Jane Eyre*. But she's still haunted by the kinky *Tango* — which, she says, "nearly killed me." The actress, who was just 19 when the flick was made, admits she had no idea what she was getting into. "Nothing could have prepared me for what happened when it came out.

"I was looked on as a dirty, perverted sex symbol. I couldn't stand people looking at me all the time. I took heroin and cocaine to forget who I was. I was in Hell for seven years!"

★ ★ ★

Q I've heard a rumor that *Baywatch* star David Hasselhoff was furious at the Hollywood Wax Museum and wanted his dummy altered — because the figure didn't "fill out" his swimming trunks adequately. True or false?
— Bea N., Medford, Calif.

HAIRY DUMMY: David Hasselhoff.

A David is not so small a man that he would make such a silly demand. He asked that the dummy be changed because it has too much CHEST HAIR!

★ ★ ★

Q One of my favorite characters in the whole O.J. saga was Nicole Simpson's outspoken pal Faye Resnick. She seems like one intelligent, classy, spunky lady to me. Incidentally, do you happen to know if there are any photos of her naked?
— George R., Naples, Fla.

INTELLIGENT, OUTSPOKEN — AND BARE! Faye Resnick.

A You're in luck! Sexy blonde Faye — who cashed in on the brutal slaying of her best friend Nicole with a tell-all paperback detailing their one-time lesbian fling — bared her buns in the March 1997 issue of *Playboy*.

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Q If I were married to someone as drop-dead gorgeous as Denzel Washington, I would go nuts watching him make love to other women on screen. How does his wife feel about his movie love scenes?
— Alison J., Lancaster, Pa.

CHURCH-GOING CHRISTIAN: Denzel Washington.

A The wholesome actor makes it a point not to get carried away on the set.

"I have never done anything that would embarass my wife **Pauletta** or cause her to lose any sleep," he says.

"We are churchgoing, tithing Christians.

"As for what's up there on the screen, Pauletta knows that they are lovemaking SCENES, not lovemaking.

"Any lovemaking I do, I do at home!"

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Q What was *ER* star Anthony Edwards' first screen role?
— Tina A., Fitchburg, Mass.

A TV's Dr. Mark Green made his screen debut as a long-haired student in the 1982 teen comedy *Fast Times at Ridgemont High*.

He isn't the only big-name star whose career was launched by the hip, funny film.

The cast of then-unknowns also included **Sean Penn, Jennifer Jason Leigh, Judge Reinhold, Phoebe Cates, Eric Stoltz** and **Nicolas Cage**.

CELEBRITY PHOTO QUIZ

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Identify this celebrity and jot down his name in the space below. The first correct entry we receive wins TWO Weekly World News T-shirts.
HINT: This young guy grew up to be a TV detective who always had "one more thing" to say. Mail entries to: CELEBRITY QUIZ, Weekly World News, 600 East Coast Ave., Lantana, Fla. 33464-0002. Look for the answer here next week. Last week's pic: Larry Hagman. Our last winner: Alfonso Colon of Fairview, N.J.

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DECISIONS OF THE JUDGES ARE FINAL.

Dirt-hating weirdo is a real-life Mr. Clean!

By TEDDY GERALD / *Weekly World News*

Shower nut goes through 35 bars of soap a week!

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina — Dirt-hating Dino Ersilio is so terrified of germs that he takes a three-hour shower every morning, brushes his teeth for 45 minutes after every meal — and goes through 35 bars of soap a week!

The scrub-crazy computer whiz uses 250 yards of dental floss each month and often spends two hours just washing veggies for his dinner salad.

"I just like to keep clean, you know, because there are germs and bacteria everywhere you look," said dingbat Dino, 27. "You've got to get them before they get you.

"I certainly can't see anything wrong with that."

But a flabbergasted judge ordered Dino to undergo psychological counseling after he got caught sneaking out of a store with 53 bars of soap stuffed in his pants.

Defense attorney Angel Gomez told the court his kooky client had to steal the soap because he'd lost his job at a local accounting firm. "His boss fired him because he was always in the bathroom washing his hands and brushing his teeth," Gomez said.

"When he wasn't washing his hands or brushing his teeth, he was scrubbing the keys of his computer with some kind of disinfectant.

"All that washing made it impossible for him to get any work done."

Immaculate Dino said he normally hops out of bed at 4:30 a.m. to begin his morning shower, even though he no longer has to worry about getting to work.

"I look forward to my shower. It's the happiest part of my day," the batty bachelor testified. "All that sudsy water running over my body makes me feel so clean.

"I usually shower and wash my hair from 4:30 to 7:30, and then I brush and floss till nearly 8:30."

Next, Dino said, he goes to work scouring and dusting his tiny, two-room apartment.

Mr. Clean also confessed he wouldn't think of eating an apple or a tomato without scrubbing it for at least an hour.

"You never know who's been handling them," he said.

Judge Diego Estepona said he agreed that cleanliness is next to godliness but said he thought soap-swiping Dino is taking things way too far. He consented to place him on probation for theft on condition he begin seeing a psychiatrist.

"Frankly, I think you're a

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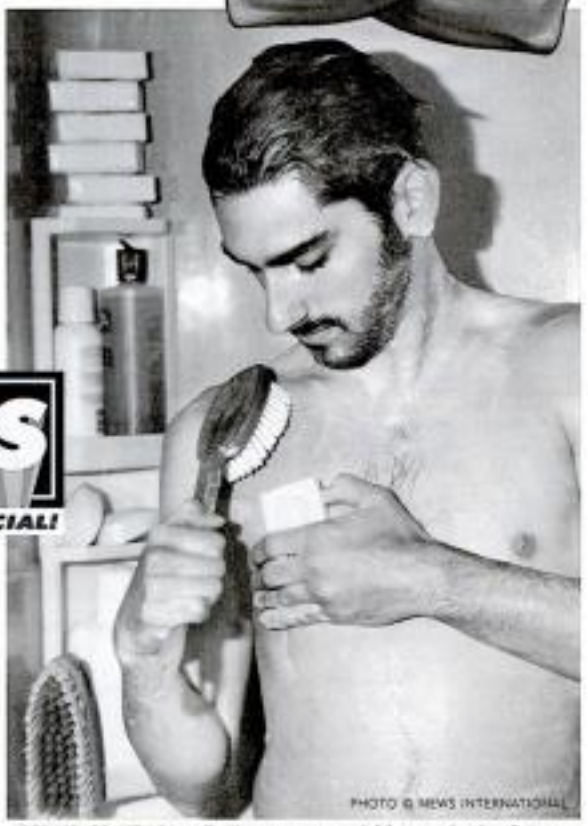

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SCRUB-CRAZY Dino Ersilio gets up at 4:30 a.m. for his 3-hour morning shower. "It's the happiest time of my day," he says.

Fake movie filming lures 54 crooks into sting!

BOSTON — Clever cops posing as movie moguls arrested 54 fugitives who fell for a police sting and showed up hoping to be $200-a-day extras for the phony filming of *The Rocky Marciano Story*.

Police sent letters to 3,800 people wanted on charges ranging from shoplifting to drug dealing. Officer Jim Browning said 54 of the 97 people who responded to the offer actually showed up.

They were met by cops posing as employees of fictitious Crown Productions, who escorted them to

Having kids is bad for your health!

Having children is bad for your health and may actually speed the aging process, according to a recently published study.

Biologists in Sweden have found that animals

No charges will be filed in bizarre death, say cops

MIAMI MOON!

MIAMI — A 19-year-old man was slammed from here to the Hereafter when the car he was mooning on a busy highway mowed him down!

The auto that rear-ended Juan Lupon on a two-lane coastal highway near Miami spun him completely around.

A second car came along and hit him with a force that ripped the oil pan off the engine of the car.

"What was he doing in the highway? Who knows?" said a police investigator called to the scene.

"Witnesses said that he was standing in the highway with his pants down exposing his behind to traffic.

"He was bent over with his back to the first car that came along so he probably never knew what hit him."

The investigator said both cars were going about 45 m.p.h., which is the legal limit on the dark beachfront highway, when they hit Lupon. No charges will be filed in the young man's death, the cop said.

VICTIM Juan Lupon didn't have hindsight.

Wise guy bares bottom on busy highway — and gets slammed into the Hereafter!

4 SURE-FIRE WAYS TO LOSE YOUR JOB!

You're deceiving yourself — and maybe keeping yourself from getting ahead or even losing your job — if you believe some of the most common myths about the workplace, says an expert.

Here are those myths — and the facts behind them:

MYTH: Saying, "I haven't had time to do it," can get you off the hook if you sound honest and sincere.

FACT: We all have the same amount of time — and not having enough of it is no excuse. You'd better make the boss' priorities your priorities — even if you have to make the time for them!

MYTH: Your boss will hold every mistake you make against you.

FACT: In many cases, bosses appreciate employees who show initiative even if they make some goofs. Just don't make the same mistake again.

MYTH: Putting in lots of extra hours makes you look good.

FACT: Instead of making you appear energetic, this can be seen as inefficiency. And don't stay late working on something the boss doesn't really care about.

MYTH: Every chance you get, tell the boss how hard you work.

FACT: Do that and you're just looking for trouble! Your remarks can be taken as a complaint, making it appear you don't like your job. Instead, let your accomplishments speak for themselves.

WARNING TO ALL PARENTS: 4-YEAR-OLD BOY'S ARM TORN OFF BY CLOTHES DRYER!

HOLLYWOOD, Calif. — A 4-year-old boy had his left arm twisted off when he reached into a still-

the rest, according to fire department spokesman Bob Collis.

Surgeons at All Children's Hospital in Los

restore the arm would be successful. No one knows how the boy opened the large, heavy-duty dryer or why it did not automatically shut down when the

Doctors warn: THIS COULD HAPPEN TO YOU!

Yawning man's jaws lock open

— & he's been stuck that way for weeks!

By JOE BERGER / *Weekly World News*

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — Hapless Harmon Munte sat up in bed one morning, stretched and yawned — then discovered he couldn't close his mouth!

And four heartbreaking weeks later, the baffled businessman is still running around with his mouth gaping open like a dying mackerel.

"I know I look like a damn fool, but there's nothing I can do about it — and apparently the doctors can't do anything, either," the flabbergasted Florida man said in a note scribbled to reporters.

"I've never been so embarrassed or so uncomfortable in my life."

Hard-luck Harmon, 33, figured he'd suffered merely a minor setback the morning he awoke in his suburban home with a yawn that wouldn't quit.

"We both thought his jaw had locked up on him and the doctor would be able to snap him out of it pretty easily," said his weary wife Regina. "But it didn't work that way.

"We've been to five different specialists so far, and none of them can tell us why Harmon can't shut his mouth. And because they don't know what's wrong, they have no idea how to treat him.

"They told me they've seen more than one case like this recently and they said it may be some kind of psychological problem. But that's nuts. Until this thing came along, Harmon didn't have a hang-up in the world."

The frustrated father of three says he's determined to get on with his life, despite a yap that won't stop yawning.

"I've had to take a leave from the insurance company where I work, but I can still play with my kids and lie around the pool with my friends — even if I can't talk and I look like an idiot," he said in a written exchange with reporters.

"Anytime I go out in public, everybody stares, of course. But I'm getting so I don't really care, except when the police get in on the act.

"The other day a cop saw me driving around like this and stopped me just on general principles. I had to write out a long note explaining my problem just to keep him from carting me off to the looney bin. He was almost certain he'd found himself a nut case."

Since he can't chew, helpless Harmon survives on broth and baby food administered by his patient mate. And once in a while, he chokes down a little extra protein — much to his chagrin.

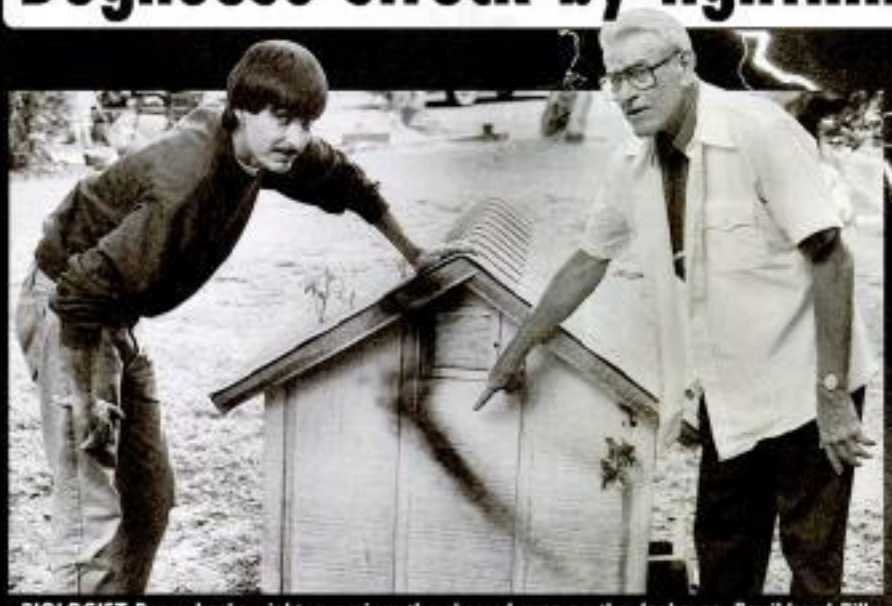
"When you're forced to walk around with your mouth wide open like this all day, flies and other bugs are always trying to use your tongue for a landing strip," said the disheartened dad.

"And a few of them al-

HARMON Munte, above, says he's still able to lead a fairly normal life thanks to help from his wife Regina, shown at left swatting insects away from his open mouth.

IT'S ALIVE!

Doghouse struck by lightning grows leaves!



BIOLOGIST Roger Leaks, right, examines the charred area on the doghouse. Bewildered Bill Sweat, left, called in the scientist after leaves began popping out of the doghouse's woodwork.

CLOSE-UP pictures at right show leaf-bearing sprigs growing out of the front, sides and roof of the doghouse.

PHOTOS © NORTH AMERICAN PRESSPIX

By JUNE SAWYER / *Weekly World News*

HOMESTEAD, Fla. — Bill Sweat's doghouse was struck by lightning — and now it's beginning to grow!

The structure has sprouted roots, sprigs and buds since it was zapped on August 23, and baffled experts confirm it's come alive.

"The damn thing is a living organism," said Dr. Roger Leaks, a biologist who has studied the wooden doghouse intensively.

"I've been a scientist for 33 years and I've never seen anything like it.

"This weathered old doghouse is growing like a tree."

The mind-blowing phenomenon was triggered when a bolt of lightning grazed the rear of the oak doghouse during an intense tropical thunderstorm.

Owner Bill Sweat saw the strike but didn't think much about it until he noticed a sprig and two tiny leaves growing out of the right side a few days later.

"It seemed to be growing right out of the wood but I thought, 'Nah. There's got to be a little seed stuck in there,'" he said.

and buds growing out of different spots. I talked to some friends about it and they suggested that I call in Dr. Leaks.

"He told me the thing was growing and alive, and I almost fell out of my chair. My dog Bobo even looks at it funny. He hasn't gone in there since it was hit."

ABOVE: Sweat family's pet dog Bobo won't put a paw inside his doghouse now.

Scientists say they aren't sure why the doghouse is growing but they think electricity from the lightning bolt somehow energized the wooden planks, causing them to spring back to life.

"I can't think of anything else that could have caused it," said Dr. Leaks, who is planning to publish an article on the one-of-a-kind doghouse for a scientific

OOPS!

MILAN, Italy — Surprised Alfonso Leo was stopped by Italian police 340 miles from the service station where he had inadvertently left his wife. He

DEADLY DONKEY

OWJ-TAPPEH, Iran — A male donkey was so lovesick when his master separated him from his mate that he attacked the man — and bit him to death.

TODAY'S SCHOOLS ARE TURNING KIDS INTO A BUNCH OF IDIOTS!

I'm madder than Albert Einstein with a busted calculator over the way our public schools are graduating idiots as fast as they can turn 'em out!

No wonder this great country is going to hell in a handbasket.

Results of the latest Atex-Carnegie Poll show that seven out of 10 American fourth-graders think Pearl Harbor is some woman who used to sing country music. Now that's frightening, folks.

But what's really scary is that the same poll, which had a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percent, found that 63 percent of high school seniors visibly move their lips when they read.

And that survey didn't include the kids who couldn't read a lick in the first place.

ED ANGER'S 1937 school photo included seven future doctors and two Nobel Prize winners. That's Ed in the circle.

Now, in places like Ireland that wouldn't be a big deal, 'cause everyone over there flaps their lips when they read — it's like a tradition or something.

But this is America, dadgummit — and we don't stand for that stuff here.

I say our kids are in the fast lane to Moronville because there's not enough discipline in the classrooms.

Remember those late, great schoolhouses of yesteryear, when hardtail teachers would slap the

for the hell of it? That's what we need more of today.

I remember when I was a boy growing up in South Dakota and times were tough.

I had to walk 14 miles each way to a one-room sod schoolhouse — after I had milked the cows, strung a mile of barbed wire and plowed two acres behind the family mule.

Miss McCarthy was our teacher and she didn't take any crap from anybody.

I once saw her rip off Danny Roper's right ear, she yanked on it so hard. And that was just for picking his teeth with a piece of straw.

I still walk with a slight limp from when she broke

poker because I hadn't finished my homework.

Today's kids could use a little dose of that kind of medicine, folks.

Miss McCarthy would have already poisoned or shot half of the little vermin who infest America's public school system in 1997.

And another thing: In my 1937 school photo — the kid with the circle around his head is me — there are seven future doctors, two Nobel Prize winners, three preachers, two generals and one of the first female jet pilots.

savings and loan president in the bunch. In other words, not one rotten apple in the barrel.

So now you know why eight out of 10 American high school grads can't make change for a dollar — because they never had the daylights beat out of 'em

grades, that's why.

When all the bleeding-heart liberals banned paddles from the classroom, we might as well have locked the damn doors, folks.

Ed Anger

ED ANGER'S SCHOOL POLL

☐ **YES: Schools ought to be like they were in Ed's day — when teachers could beat the hell out of the kids until they straightened up and did their lessons.**

☐ **NO: Even today's spoiled brats don't deserve to be severely beaten about the head or lower back just because they curse and spit at their teachers.**

Signed _____
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Send your response to Ed Anger's School Poll, Weekly World News, 600 East Coast Ave., Lantana, Fla. 33464-0002.

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MONA LISA WAS A HOOKER!

By JANET DIAMOND / *Weekly World News*

ROME — The shocking secret behind the Mona Lisa's serenely satisfied smile was sex! Incredibly, the model for the world's most famous painting was a highly paid prostitute who even slept with the Pope's brother!

Italian professor Carlo Vecce uncovered the scandalous secret while trying to track down the identity of the real Mona Lisa. After wading through piles of letters and diaries belonging to artist Leonardo da Vinci, Dr. Vecce's research finally paid off.

He discovered a note from one of the famous artist's pupils naming the model as Isabella Gualandi, who was born in Naples in 1491. The lovely Isabella not only took the Vatican by storm but she also carried on an affair with Giullano de Medici, brother of Pope Leo X.

The highly respected Naples University professor claims Giullano gave da Vinci a studio in the Vatican.

He then invited the artist to paint his mistress.

The priceless painting now hangs behind bullet-proof glass in the Louvre in Paris.

Man is killed by insomnia

By MOE BUSTINA / *Weekly World News*

BOLOGNA, Italy — Doctors say a man is resting in peace at last after suffering a case of insomnia so severe that he died following six sleepless months.

The 53-year-old Italian's fatal case of insomnia was reported in the *Bologna Journal of Medicine* by Dr. Elio Lugaresi of the University of Bologna Medical School.

Dr. Lugaresi said that the first symptoms started showing up nine months before the patient's death.

Before he was stricken, the man, who was not identified in the doctor's report, had always slept between five and seven hours each night. Every afternoon the man took a half-hour nap.

In the initial stages of [illegible] was able to sleep only two or three hours a night.

"Two months later, the patient could sleep for only one hour per night and was frequently disturbed by vivid dreams during which he would rise from his bed, stand and give a military salute," Dr. Lugaresi said.

"When he was awakened by his relatives, he [illegible] of attending a coronation," the doctor continued. "Three months after the onset of symptoms, normal sleep became impossible for the patient and the dreaming episodes became more frequent."

Dr. Lugaresi said the man was admitted to the hospital where he would slowly lapse into a stupor whenever he was left alone.

Doctors tried to treat the insomnia by prescribing a variety of sleeping pills, but nothing worked.

Three months after the symptoms began, the patient could not sleep at all.

As time wore on, doctors treating him reported the patient's speech became unintelligible, he was disoriented and could no longer perform even simple tasks.

By the time the youngest children have learned to keep the house tidy, the oldest grandchildren are on hand to tear it to pieces.

NO MATTER WHAT YOUR MOUTH SAYS, IT'S YOUR EYES THAT DO THE TALKING

No matter what your mouth says, your eyes and body movements do most of the talking, says a leading psychologist.

Verbal communication "only carries 7 percent of the total message in a conversation," said Dr. Johanna Hunsaker. "The balance of the message is communicated 'nonverbally, involuntarily and subconsciously' through a person's body language — specifically through the eyes," she said.

Here are some eye movements catalogued by Miss Hunsaker:

- Eye contact indicates a desire to communicate. Prolonged eye contact, however can mean coldness, rudeness, anger or dislike. Lack of eye contact indicates disinterest, shyness or guilt.
- Rapid blinking indicates a person is very anxious. Normal blinking is about 6 to 10 times a minute. An anxious person may blink up to 100 times a minute.
- Wide and alert eyes usually indicate an enthusiastic person. Sometimes, however, wide eyes indicate

Your questions about DREAMS . . . answered!

By MICHAEL STEVENS / *Weekly World News*

Dreams. Chances are that you're fascinated by these experiences — and have dozens of questions about them.

Top dream researcher Dr. Stephen LaBerge has answered the most frequently asked questions for *Weekly World News* readers.

● Why do we dream?

"To help us deal with our emotional conflicts," he says.

● Do dreams foretell the future?

"My best guess is that dreams do foretell the future — but not the way most people think they do," Dr. LaBerge says.

"Dreams frequently call to awareness something that was overlooked awake. For example, you may dream of an impending illness — which later comes to pass. You were probably already experiencing the symptoms, but you ignored them."

● Why can't I remember my dreams?

"Chances are you're perfectly normal and healthy — and you have no strong reason for remembering them," says Dr. LaBerge.

● How can I remember dreams?

"The key to remembering dreams is wanting to do so," Dr. LaBerge answers. "Each night, before dropping off to sleep, tell yourself: 'I will remember at least one dream.' Then, when you awake, jot down your recollections."

● Do pets and other animals dream?

"There's good evidence that animals do dream, just like humans. Almost every dog owner can report seeing his pet growl in his sleep — as though he were having a very vivid dream."

● What's the best way to get over a recurrent dream?

"You may have to change your life-style in some way. For example, if you repeatedly dream of being late for a meeting, it could mean you have an overburdened schedule."

● Most dreams are related to sex in some way, aren't they?

"That's a myth. Only about 10 percent of dreams which have been analyzed contain direct sexual references."

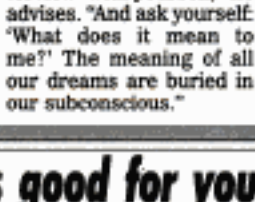
● How can I find out what my dreams mean?

"Conduct a 'dream interview' with yourself," he advises. "And ask yourself: 'What does it mean to me?' The meaning of all our dreams are buried in our subconscious."

Get mad — it's good for you!

Hostile meanies are more apt to survive a heart attack than sweet, even-tempered people who suppress their anger.

That's the finding of researchers who found that hostile types are better able to respond to rehabilitation exercises following a heart at-



Cheerleader busted for making noise!

MATSUE, Japan — A cheerleader here was arrested for "making unnecessary noise" while an opposing basketball player was shooting free throws.

After cops hauled the 18-year-old gal off to jail, a judge ordered her to issue a public apology to the player and his family for her "rude and inconsiderate" behavior.

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UFO ABDUCTION IN PENNSYLVANIA!

SPACE ALIENS DRAINED MY BLOOD

. . . then filled my veins with a mysterious yellow fluid, says shaken steelworker

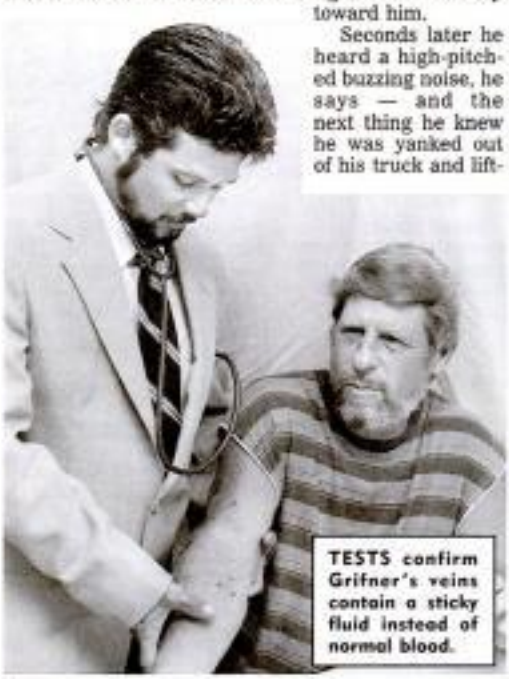
By TANYA BRODER
Weekly World News

BETHLEHEM, Pa. — Steelworker Keith Grifner says he's never been the same since space aliens abducted him and stole every drop of blood in his body — and replaced it with a mysterious yellow fluid!

The 41-year-old man says he was kidnapped while driving his pickup along a backcountry road at about 8:30 p.m. on the night of August 3.

He says he saw an enormous white light hovering over the road about a mile ahead of him and watched in amazement as the light moved swiftly toward him.

Seconds later he heard a high-pitched buzzing noise, he says — and the next thing he knew he was yanked out of his truck and lifted through the air by a mysterious force.



TESTS confirm Grifner's veins contain a sticky fluid instead of normal blood.

"I was sucked right into a great big oval-shaped aircraft that was just hanging there in the air over my truck," Grifner recalls. "Then I was inside this weird padded room, lying on a table with four little space creatures staring at me.

"The spacemen had huge eyes and almost no nose or mouth. They didn't talk, but I could hear their voices somehow inside my head.

"They told me not to be afraid and that I wouldn't be hurt if I cooperated."

While a frightened Grifner trembled in terror, the space creatures took out a giant syringe attached to a vacuum device and clamped it to his right arm. The apparatus drew every drop of blood out of the terrified widower's body — while another machine attached to his left arm pumped him full of a bright yellow liquid.

During the procedure, Grifner lost consciousness. He awoke in the cab of his pickup, which was parked at the side of the road. He had a splitting headache but otherwise felt normal.

"But when I got home I noticed my color was changed and I had this yellow, sickly com-

SKETCH of alien, taken from Grifner's description.

told him what had happened. He didn't believe me at first, but he went ahead and tested me and he found my veins were filled with a sticky yellow fluid.

"Since then he's given me transfusions and everything, but the yellow stuff always comes back."

The UFO abductee says he feels more energetic since his bizarre transfusion and now needs only about two hours of sleep a night.

Otherwise, he says, his body seems to function normally. "I do get some strange food cravings, though," says Grifner.

"Last week all I ate was squid. I couldn't get enough squid."

Grifner's personal physician has ordered a series of tests to

STUNNED steelworker Keith Grifner points to triangular pattern left in his arm by space aliens' clamp-on syringe.

Hunter shot by his own dog!

WARSAW, Poland — Macho hunter Roman Wirzseski nearly bled to death after he was shot in the side — by his dog!

"My dog and I were sitting in my pickup with the rifle on the seat between us when he spotted a rabbit," said Wirzseski.

"He jumped out to run after it, tripped over the .22-caliber rifle and triggered it."

The bullet struck Wirzseski just above the pelvis.

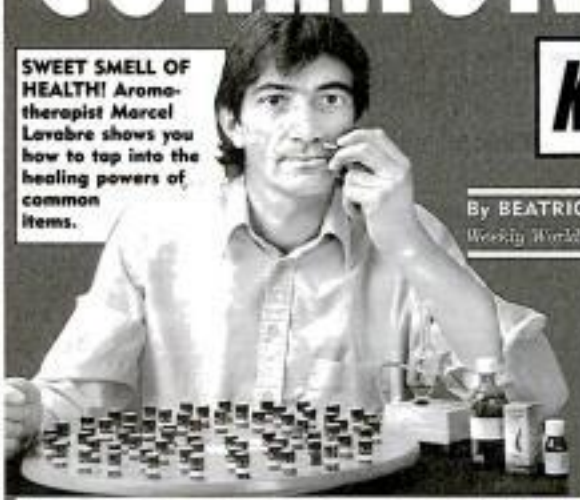
He drove himself to Zewicki Hospital and arrived just in time. "I've treated lots of gunshot wounds," said Dr. Antoni Drzewny,

Suicide teen's change of heart comes too late!

JONKOPING, Sweden — Despondent schoolboy Kurt Lidberg, 14, asked two friends to help him hang himself, then changed his mind at the last minute. Unfortunately

COMMON SCENTS CURES

Kitchen and garden items treat ailments — for pennies



SWEET SMELL OF HEALTH! Aromatherapist Marcel Lavabre shows you how to tap into the healing powers of common items.

By BEATRICE DEXTER
Weekly World News

You can save hundreds of dollars on drugs and cure what ails you in a jiffy — by treating yourself with fragrances found in your own home and garden!

That's the claim of top aromatherapist Marcel Lavabre, whose *Handbook of Aromatherapy* (Healing Arts Press) tells how to use the power of scents to improve health.

"People can use the everyday products in their own kitchens to cure colds, reduce fatigue and for countless other ailments," says Lavabre.

"Of course, for serious problems, I strongly recommend that you see your doctor. But for minor aches and pains scent therapy is a natural, effective and safe way to feel better."

Lavabre has spent years extracting the essential oils of scores of flowers, common herbs and fruits and researching their effects on the human body.

He says readers can extract the same miracle substances by collecting the plant or fruit of their choice and crushing it until it is a concentrated paste. Add water if necessary. Used as instructed — a tablespoon should be enough — the super scents will have you feeling better in no time.

Clip and save Lavabre's chart of common ailments and the aromas you can use to cure them.

LAVABRE'S FRAGRANT FIXES FOR WHAT AILS YOU

Crush the desired ingredient into a paste – add water if necessary.

ANEMIA
Use clove buds. Add paste to hot bath and soak for 20 minutes daily.

ARTHRITIS
Use marjoram. Rub paste directly on aching joints or add to hot bath and soak for 20 minutes daily.

ASTHMA / BRONCHITIS
Use spearmint. Put paste in a warm-water vaporizer, use in a compress applied to the upper chest, or add to boiling water and inhale for five minutes every hour.

CIRCULATION
Use cinnamon bark or leaf. Put paste in hot bath water. Soak at least 20 minutes every eight hours.

COLDS
Use paste of pine or spruce needles. Make compress for chest or use in vaporizer. The paste is also ideal as an inhalant, added to boiling water.

DIGESTIVE PROBLEMS
Use caraway or coriander seeds. Massage paste into abdominal area. Allow to remain for half an hour. Repeat every six hours until symptoms subside.

FEVER
Gingerroot, added to lukewarm bath water, will help reduce fever.

GALLBLADDER PAIN
Use paste of lime skin. Add to hot bath or place compress directly over painful area. Repeat after 12 hours if pain has not decreased.

HEADACHE
Use peppermint paste as a compress on the forehead or massage gently into the temples. Rest in darkened room during treatment. If you don't feel better 20 minutes after first application, repeat.

IMPOTENCE
Nutmeg paste added to hot bath water is an excellent stimulant for the sexual organs. Soak in the bath for 20 minutes each day and your love life will improve dramatically.

INSOMNIA
A paste made of tangerine or orange skin can bring on sleep. Add to hot bath for a fragrant, relaxing soak before bed each night.

PREMENSTRUAL SYNDROME
Use paste of fennel seed. Add to hot bath and soak for 20 minutes each evening while symptoms last.

RHEUMATISIM
Use pepper. Make a compress and wrap aching areas. Leave in place for 15 minutes or until skin burns. Apply only once a day.

SINUS TROUBLE
Lavender paste used in a warm-water vaporizer or added to boiling water and inhaled will clear up sinus problems in a jiffy.

TIREDNESS
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Dear Dotti

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SHARON in Little Rock.

Dear Dotti: As an attractive and sensual woman of 26, it has finally occurred to me that I can never settle down and marry. The reason? To confine my lovin' to one man would be criminal! I don't want to brag, but I'm a love-muffin extraordinaire — and I've decided to devote my life to sharing my charms with every man on Earth. My problem is my family. Mom and Dad, for instance, get physically ill whenever I mention my life's goal. And my brothers are trying to make me see a psychiatrist, so they clearly don't understand me. That's where you come in, Dotti. How can I make them see the light? — Sharon in Little Rock

Dear Sharon: Your family saw the light when they called that psychiatrist. So get real, oyster breath — and for Pete's sake, see that shrink YESTERDAY!

CONFIDENTIALS

Dear Worn Out in Curry: Now you know why people call this new lady-friend of yours "The Love Boat."

Dear Heads Up Gal in Eupora: Heads DOWN is more like it!

Dear Disappointed in Galena: The next time you apply for a job, bonehead, leave the see-through blouse in your closet!

Dear Suspicious in Ironton: Finding condoms in your wife's purse doesn't prove anything. Finding that black book with names, addresses and phone numbers of 62 men does!

Dear Trusting Mom in Linden: Would a 13-year-old girl lie to you? Not unless her lips are moving!

Dear Starstruck in Bedford: You're confusing "stardom" with "slutdom" — and in case you didn't know it, that's the ONLY reason you have so many "gentlemen friends!"

Dear Crushed in Waverly: I didn't call you a failure — but now that I think about it, I should have!

Dear Furious in Welch: Count to 10 and write back when you're calmer!

Hotheaded granny cusses like a sailor!

Dear Dotti: My grandmother moved in with my parents and me a few months ago and she's pretty much made our lives the pits. The worst part of it is she's got a temper like you wouldn't believe — and cusses her head off when she tees off on me for no reason at all. I'm 19, and I promise that I'm not doing anything to upset her. On the contrary, I bow and scrape like she's royalty. When you get down to it, I've had it with the old goat. So how can I get her out of my life for good? — David in Carthage

DAVID in Carthage.

Dear David: If you're still living with your parents at 19, you're as big a freeloader as your granny. So keep your fat mouth shut — and learn to live with things you're in no position to change!

Nit-picking hubby gives me the silent treatment!

Dear Dotti: My husband of wall, and even though I'm opposed to divorce, I'm just about ready to leave him for good because he gets angry over the least little thing. The next thing I know, he's giving me the silent treatment for days and even weeks on end. I come from a large family where everybody fussed and fought, Dotti, but at least we got things out in the open and put our problems behind us. Do you know of any way to make somebody end the silent treatment? If so, please help me. — Had It in Spencer

Dear Had It: No.

Bratty kid lives like a queen — at my expense!

Dear Dotti: My 11-year-old daughter is living on Easy Street but does she show her appreciation? NO! She gets a fat allowance and lives in a room fit for a queen. She has her own telephone. Her closet is full of designer dresses. And she even has her own little off-road motorcycle!

SUE in Victoria.

ther and me like dirt. If I so much as look at her wrong she cuts loose with a string of profanity that would curl your hair. What's wrong with my child, Dotti? When I was a child I respected my elders and appreciated what my parents did for me. — Sue in Victoria

Dear Sue: Let the brat know she has one chance to clean up her act. If that doesn't work, get serious — and give her up for adoption!

Idiot co-worker makes my life a living hell!

Dear Dotti: I work in an office with about 50 other people. Everybody is pretty decent and fairly easy to get along with. But there's this one gal who seems to do everything in her power to MAKE people dislike her. And if she takes more than one shower a week I'd be surprised. She also cracks crude jokes and has strong opinions about everything in spite of the fact that she barely graduated from high school and wouldn't be quite as bad if she'd just stay at her computer and do her job in silence. But she's out and about all the time — making our lives miserable. What can we do to stop her? — Roger in Bonham

Dear Roger: If 50 people are offended by Ms. Stinky, then one of you should have the guts to stand up to her and say so. Since you're too wimpy to do the right thing, I strongly suggest that you sabotage her computer until the boss gets his fill of lame excuses — and fires the idiot!

ROGER in Bonham.

Dream man refuses to return my calls!

Dear Dotti: I've been seeing this man for six months. For the first three months he called me every day, but his calls started getting further and further apart. Now he won't even return my calls. I can't understand why he's suddenly ignoring me. I believe that he really loved me and I know that I still have strong feelings about him. Do think he's trying to dump me? — Puzzled in San Jose

Dear Puzzled: Wake up, girl!

BANDIT USES A CUCUMBER TO ROB 16 BANKS

Veggie-packin' varmint ate the evidence after each holdup, say cops

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS
SUPER AUTUMN SPECIAL!

CAPTURED ON FILM: Cops used this series of startling photographs taken by a security camera to identify Ernie Covely as the cucumber bandit.

LONDON — In one of the craziest crime sprees ever, oddball bandit Ernie Covely stuck up 16 banks — with a cucumber!

By JOE BERGER
Weekly World News

In each case, the veggie varmint pointed a colossal cuke at a lady teller and shouted, "Give me the money or I'll blow your head off!"

And each time, the terrified teller — thinking evil Ernie was brandishing a sawed-off shotgun — meekly handed over the loot.

"This may have been the strangest series of robberies in this city's history," a dumbfounded detective told reporters.

"To get away with a stunt like that so many times is really remarkable. But he usually had the cucumber wrapped in a trash bag, so his victims could never be sure he didn't have a gun."

After each of his successful stickups during his robbery rampage, elated Ernie would rush home, count his haul — then chop up his cucumber for salads or sandwiches.

"He was making enough money he could afford a new cucumber each time he pulled a job," said Detective Owen Blank.

The cuke-wielding crook normally walked up to a teller, set a shopping bag down on the counter and hauled his long green "gun" out of the bag.

The ladies he confronted were so scared of his voluminous veggie they forked over more than $20,000 during his kooky crime spree.

But the Cucumber Kid's salad days came to an end when investigators identified him from security camera photos and surrounded the home in East London he shared with a girlfriend. When they arrested him, cops said, 36-year-old Ernie was as cool as . . . well, you know.

"He said the money was all gone, that he'd spent it all on drugs," Detective

ed guilty to eight counts of robbery.

Judge Edwin Jowitt told him he was in a real pickle and could bank on a long prison term.

TRESSES TRIVIA!

Here's some interesting trivia about hair:

- Hair grows about six inches a year.
- Most hair loss occurs in the mornings.
- Shorter hair sheds faster than long hair.

Car-driving pooch

Cops in Grand Junction, Colo., didn't ticket the driver of a car that rolled into a busy street, just

Coed drops charges against her three attackers . . .

'I DESERVED TO BE RAPED!'

ONE HOT NUMBER: This snapshot, taken two years ago, shows pretty Nancy Lemoine wearing one of her sexiest outfits.

By BEATRICE DEXTER / *Weekly World News*

PARIS — A 19-year-old coed who was raped by three youths dropped charges against her attackers — because she believes she deserved to be raped!

Pretty brunette Nancy Lemoine says her dress and behavior led to the sexual assault and she has vowed to change her ways rather than sending her rapists to jail.

She's vowed to change her ways: No flirting and no short skirts

A CHANGED WOMAN: Today Nancy wears conservative clothing & seldom visits bars.

"I brought it on myself," said Nancy, a junior in college. "I have a very sexy body and I used to love to display it. I used to wear tight blouses and short skirts. I loved to flirt.

"Now I know what I was doing wrong.

"I never thought about how I was tempting men. I only thought about the attention I was getting. Well, I finally got more attention than I'd bargained for. I got raped, and I deserved it."

The philosophy major says she believes she led her rapists on before the April 1, 1997, attack. She had met them in a fancy private club and agreed to accompany the men — three fellow students from her university — to their apartment.

The group had been drinking, Nancy said, and when they got to the boys' apartment, they continued to swig down glasses of wine and beer.

"I was joking suggestively with them and dancing around wiggling my hips," Nancy recalled. "Suddenly, one of the guys grabbed me — and before I knew it, all three wanted to make love to me.

"I resisted, but they went ahead anyway. I think they felt I was just playing hard to get."

After the rape, Nancy filed charges with the police. But her guilt led her to re-evaluate her own behavior and after several days the rape victim told police she would not testify against her attackers.

Today, Nancy has switched to conservative clothing and demure behavior.

She no longer goes to bars unattended and does not go out with men unless they are introduced to her by friends.

"I feel terrible about what happened to me," victims, in a sense. I drove them to it — and I'll never behave that way again."

Japanese man walks across Arctic Ocean!

TOKYO — Japanese adventurer Mitsuro Oba, who lost all his toes to frostbite in an earlier attempt to cross the frozen Arctic Ocean on foot, decided to try it one more time — and this time he made the treacherous solo trek without a hitch!

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS

Deadbeat Dane stiffs cabbie for $3,500 trip to the Vatican!

COPENHAGEN, Denmark — A cabbie thought he'd hit the jackpot when an elderly man hopped into his taxi on a street here and asked to be taken to Vatican City — 1,300 miles away in the middle of Italy.

But when taxi driver Jorgen Gilberg arrived at the Vatican, his nutty old customer told him he'd have to collect the whopping $3,570 fare from the Pope!

The incensed cabbie took a quick tour of the Pontiff's headquarters before heading back home with the Danish deadbeat.

DIETERS BEWARE: Don't lick stamps if you want to lose weight!

Dieters beware! The glue on the back of a postage stamp has one-tenth of a calorie. New peel-and-stick stamps may be the solution for those looking to lose weight.

Folks jolted with PREACHER

Fortune-Teller

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WHAT is your secret message from the Orient this week? It's easy and fun to decipher. Here's the key to decoding your message:

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the 'power of God'

BAPTIZES FOLLOWERS WITH JUMPER CABLES!

By ROBERT CUNNINGHAM / *Weekly World News*

In the Electrifying Church of the New Light, fiery preacher Ezra Barnable "zaptizes" his flock with jumper cables attached to an automobile battery.

"I want them to feel the power of God blast the sin from their body," said the hellfire-and-brimstone preacher. "I want them to be electrified by the experience."

His tiny church is tucked away in hill country near the Uinta Mountains in northeastern Utah and boasts 137 members, including 21 children.

"The families who belong to our church are farmers and ranchers who live close to the land and read their Bibles every day," said the Rev. Barnable. "We are close-knit people who mind our own business.

"I am the first to admit that our ways of worshipping Jesus are unconventional and may seem strange to some people, but they work," said the minister.

"We don't worship idols, tempt poisonous snakes or build huge temples in God's name, but we try to practice His will. If our ways trouble outsiders, them let them remain outsiders."

The Rev. Barnable wouldn't say how much voltage is used in his baptismal ceremony.

"Obviously we use a harmless but holy amount," he said.

No one older than 70 or younger than 3 is baptized with the jumper cables and battery.

Those with severe heart or other medical problems also are excused.

The bizarre baptisms are held four times a year. Candidates kneel before the preacher, who has a highly charged car battery rigged to the jumper cables.

"I touch the cables together to create sparks and then I touch them with it," said the fiery preacher. "They tense up for a split second as the shock hits. Then we all bow our heads in prayer."

Horace Wilbune and his two teenage daughters are among those who have been zaptized by Barnable.

"I closed my eyes and felt the holy ghost enter my body," said Horace. "My life hasn't been the same since that wonderful day. I have truly been saved."

The Rev. Barnable's weird way of zaptizing people has caused no problems with ar-

SHOCK of his life! The Rev. Ezra Barnable, above, stands outside his secluded church in Utah's Uinta Mountains before preparing his latest convert for the bizarre "zaptism" ceremony. Photo at left shows the

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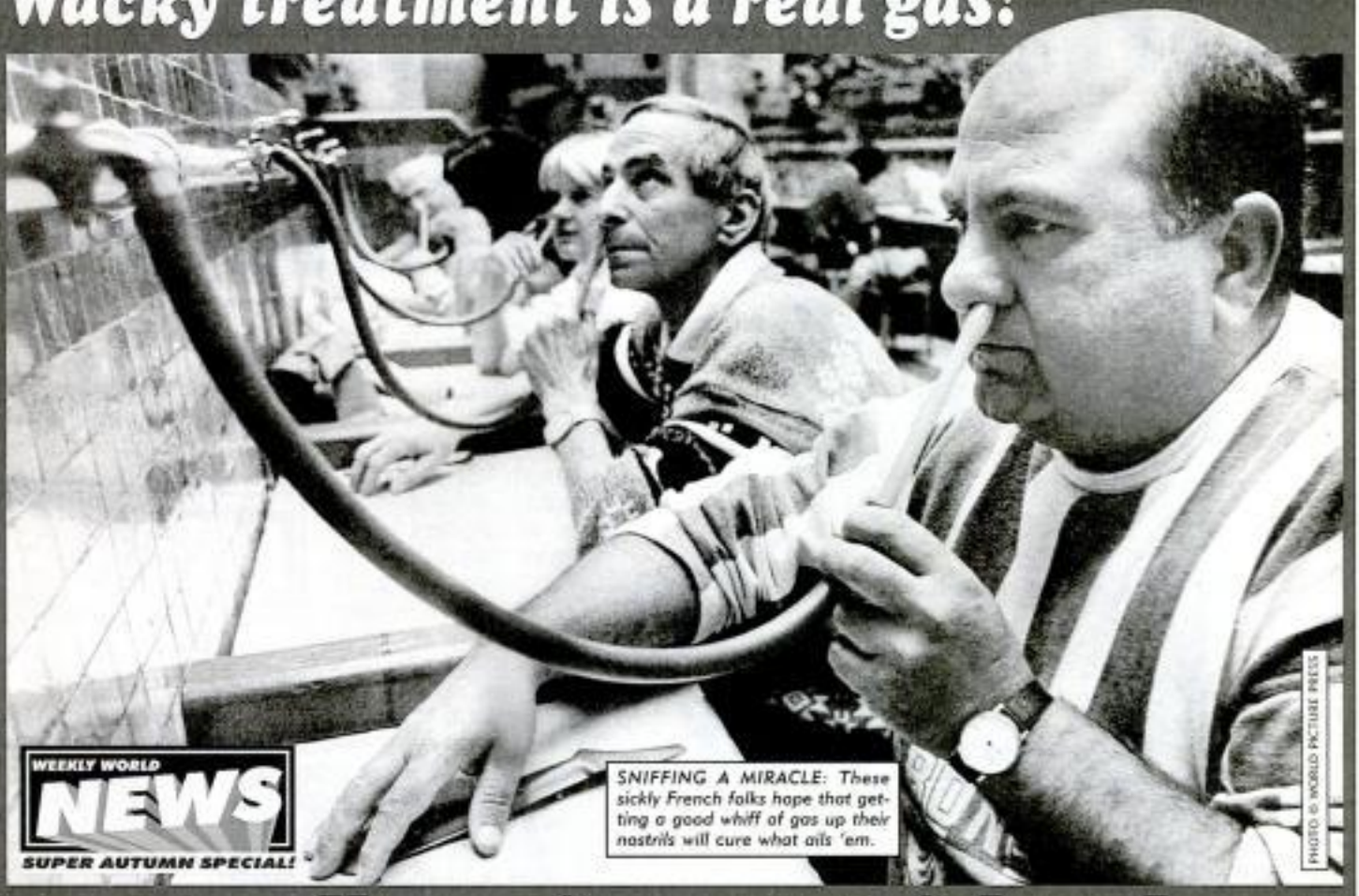

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SNIFFING A MIRACLE: These sickly French folks hope that getting a good whiff of gas up their nostrils will cure what ails 'em.

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Docs tell patients: Stick a hose up your nose!

LE MONT-DORE, France — Daffy doctors are actually sending sick patients to the gas chamber — to stick hoses up their noses in a crazy cure that really works!

By FELIX DALVALLE
Weekly World News

Sickly folks the world over are flocking to this little village south of Paris to shove long tubes into their schnozzes and sniff natural gases from the town's hot springs.

"It may look funny, but this is a serious business, because the gases relieve a large number of ailments, from rheumatism to blocked sinuses," said have had some miraculous cures here, people who had suffered for years and years.

"Our patients come here, stick tubes in their noses, and voila! — they are cured of their illnesses!" Fabre proclaimed.

Goofy gas sniffers are paying $360 a day to sit staring at the wall with a hose rammed up their carbon dioxide, which makes patients' eyes water profusely but is a very strong disinfectant.

The gas also includes a healthy dose of radon.

"I felt a little silly at first, but the treatment completely got rid of my allergies, which were very severe," explained Lloyd Bentley-Owen, who traveled to France from England in a desperate quest for a cure.

"No doctor or medica- problems at all," he said happily.

For some sufferers, sniffing is not enough, so they try a gas mask, which covers their faces completely, or they sit in a steam room where the spa water is finely misted in the gassy air for easy inhaling.

Man licks icing from cake knife — & cuts off his tongue!

BERNBURG, Germany — A birthday party turned to tragedy when a 22-year-old man tried to lick

WORLD'S BIGGEST KILLED

PRIVATE EYE took photos

By JOHN MEREDITH / *Weekly World News*

GENEVA, Switzerland — Neighbors called Sarah Schneider the "world's biggest busybody" but the spying spinster got her comeuppance when somebody broke into her house — and fired a bullet through her heart!

And while police have no shortage of suspects — the woman literally kept spy dossiers on 46 neighbors — they said an arrest is almost certainly weeks, if not months, away.

"The woman had more enemies than Jack the Ripper," Police Lt. Rupert Stuber told reporters.

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"She kept extensive files on 46 neighbors and knew their innermost secrets: How often they made love, what they argued about, how much money they had in the bank, how much money they owed creditors, their affairs — the whole works.

"As far as we're concerned, each and every one of those neighbors is a suspect. We're going to take a long, hard look at all of them."

Miss Schneider's neighbors were reluctant to talk with reporters. But they confirmed that the 56-year-old woman spied on them in every way imaginable and made their lives, as one neighbor put it, "a living hell."

"We knew what she was up to but there wasn't a whole heck of a lot we could do about it," said the neighbor. "She was the sneakiest, connivingest woman I've ever seen.

"If you saw her on the street she wouldn't say, 'Hello.' She'd say: 'The power company's going

BUSYBODY

Spying spinster kept files on 46 neighbors

. . . and they're ALL suspects!

Miss Schneider was murdered, her neighbors actually pitched in and hired private detective Jakob Daehler to watch the woman and get the proof they needed to charge her with harassment.

"She was a holy terror, that's for sure," said the private detective. "I've got pictures of her spying from windows and a ladder and even going through garbage cans, mailboxes and the glove compartments in their cars.

"It's hard to say what her motives were. She must have been awfully lonely or bored," Daehler observed.

Said Lt. Stuber: "Sooner or later we'll get to the bottom of this, but with the number of suspects, it's going to take some time.

"In a way, it's funny. Normally we police officers have to work for months to come up with a suspect in a murder case. But this time we've got 46 suspects — and that's going to make the case even tougher to crack."

DETECTIVE Jakob Daehler has an entire file on the sneaky way Sarah spied on her neighbors.

PROBABLY because she was lonely and had nothing better to do, Sarah stuck her nose in everyone else's business — and was shot because of it.

If you think old soldiers just fade

Egg-eating champ chomps down 4-lb. ostrich egg!

PARIS — Rene Giot is claiming the world record for eating a hard-boiled egg in one minute, 48.27 seconds.

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Acupuncture turns dud pigs into barnyard STUDS!

PRIZE PORKER was too pooped to perform, but a snout full of needles will restore his pep, say experts.

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'Now, they're like stallions!'

LONDON — Pig breeders here are using acupuncture — to spice up their prized porkers' sex lives!

Incredibly, sluggish male pigs are hot to trot after being stuck in the neck and snout with needles.

By JUNE SAWYER
Weekly World News

"We are amazed, but it is quite true," said one animal husbandry expert at Britain's Bishop Burton college.

"Acupuncture does help pigs' sex drive. The centuries-old Asian treatment changes them dramatically. Now, they're like stallions!

"It gives boars more spirit, gets sows in the mood and also cures a number of illnesses."

At first, English farm experts thought visiting Japanese student Tetsuo Yamashita was pulling their leg when he told them the ancient art has been used for thousands of years on pigs in Japan.

But the oriental wonder worker made believers out of them when he got out his needles and demonstrated the technique with remarkable results. He turned low-libido pigs into passionate porkers in minutes and treated a number of physical ailments as well.

"The cure was complete," said college marketing director Simon Foster.

"Mr. Yamashita cured one sow of a tumor inside of 24 hours, and also corrected an eye disorder, pneumonia and lameness. The animals didn't feel a thing. They just stood there while Mr. Yamashita stuck them full of four-inch needles. We couldn't believe how easy it looked."

SCHOOLGIRL TRAGEDY!

YOGYAKARTA, Indonesia — Fifteen schoolgirls drowned when their biology teacher forced them into the fast-flowing Opak River because no one would admit passing gas.

The class was on a field trip to study plants.

8 easy ways to be more popular!

By DORIS HARTING / *Weekly World News*

You can be more popular and have more friends by following eight simple tips, says an expert.

1. Be friendly. It's hard not to like somebody who acts like a friend.

When you're with others, offer to be helpful, pay a compliment, smile, be outgoing. Take an interest in people.

2. Take pride in your appearance. People are attracted to those who take pains with their appearance neatly and appropriately, said Dr. Frederick Koenig.

3. Be easy to get along with. Don't be too temperamental and demanding. Let people feel they can relax around you, said Dr. Koenig.

"A temperamental person has to stop one day and say, 'Why does this person have so many friends?' you're going to be seen by others as mean-spirited," said Dr. Koenig. Count your own blessings.

6. Don't be too proud. A touch of humility is a good thing, but don't overdo it, of course.

7. Be active. The more you mix with people, the more opportunities you'll have to meet and make new play in the office bowling league, etc.

8. Be yourself. Don't try to be someone you're not and put on airs.

If you want to expand your vocabulary, for example, that's fine — but don't start using words nobody will understand or you'll just put people off.

> **The man without imagination has no wings —**

OOPS!

JOHNNY demonstrates how he lined up for his dart toss.

BIRMINGHAM, England — Thanks to breast implants, curvy mom Marsha Mishales had a figure to rival a *Playboy* centerfold's — until she got hit in the chest with a dart and one of her boobs popped like a balloon!

By ANN HUGHEY
Weekly World News

The bizarre accident occurred while the mother of two was playing darts with friends in the family playroom.

As she walked in front of the dart board to mark down her score, she got nailed in the left breast with a dart thrown by her 12-year-old son Johnny.

"I'd just hit the bull's-eye and was going to mark it down when I felt a twinge in my left breast," said the pretty blonde.

"When I looked down and saw the dart, I made the mistake of pulling it out."

As her son and horrified friends looked on, the poor woman's implant, filled with a saline solution, deflated right before their eyes.

The hapless housewife said she could only stand there in stunned surprise over what had happened.

"I couldn't believe my eyes. As soon as I yanked out the dart, my boob deflated like a dime-store balloon," she said. "It was awful."

"Now I'm flat as a board on one side, just like before the operation. I don't know how a dart could have caused this to happen."

Plastic surgeon Dr. Adam Hler said that though it's unusual for breast implants to burst, it's not unheard of.

"I know of at least five cases where breast implants have leaked or deflated," he said.

"Mrs. Mishales' implants were filled with a saline solution instead of silicone gel, so it could leak out quite easily if the bag were pierced.

"Evidently, the dart went into her breast far enough to puncture the saline-filled implant and when she pulled it out, the solution leaked out."

Fortunately, the breast can be easily repaired, said the doctor.

The relieved woman isn't sure when she's going to get the breast fixed, but it will be soon. "I saved for eight years to afford the operation and I'll not go around looking lopsided for long," she said.

As for Johnny, he's now out of the doghouse.

"It was an accident but he was scared to death. I really felt sorry for him," said Marsha.

Golf ball in nose tees off golfer!

DUNDEE, Scotland — Golfer Daniel Calder was trying to drive his ball onto the green at the fifth hole. Instead, the ball struck a marker post, bounced off and hit him in the nose.

Now Calder's suing the golf course!

Even his wife is getting into the act, claiming her husband's injuries caused her to suffer mental and emotional anguish because they forced the couple to curtail family leisure time activities.

Angus West, manager of the golf course, calls the lawsuit ridiculous.

West says, "We didn't hit the ball. HE hit the ball."

He points out that the post is clearly marked and Calder was only 10 feet away from it when the mishap occurred.

But Calder contends the post, which marks the yardage from the tee, is a menace and

Funeral home in hot water after burying woman without her legs!

FT. LAUDERDALE, Fla. — A funeral home will have to pay out a whopping $1.25 million — for burying a woman without her legs!

Orthodox Jew Molly Cohen gave her legs to Menorah Gardens Funeral Chapels seven years ago when the limbs were amputated.

The home was supposed to keep

tion. But grieving widower Joel Cohen sued Menorah Gardens because when the time came, officials said they couldn't find the legs.

Finally, after continued pressure

but only one of them belonged to the deceased.

In the Jewish religion, it's extremely important that the entire body be buried together.

A jury awarded the money to the Cohens, finding that Menorah Gardens inflicted severe emotional dis-

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SUPER AUTUMN SPECIAL

Son's dart pops mom's breast implant by mistake!

MARSHA'S BREAST implant deflates after her son's dart punctured it.

ACCIDENTS will happen, says mom Marsha Mishales, as she gives her son Johnny an "I forgive you" hug.

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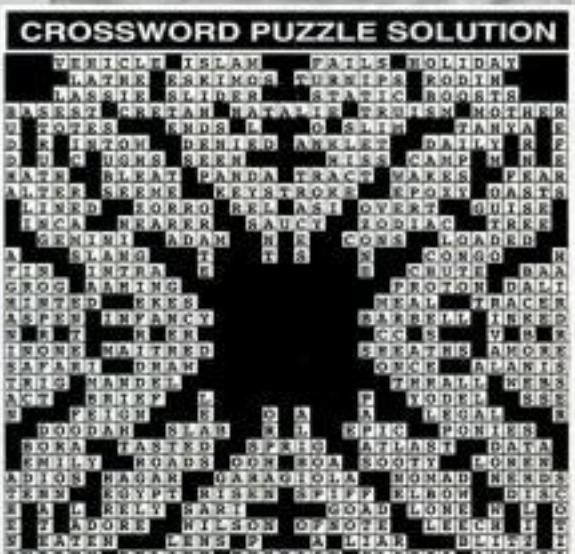

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Peel off 2 lbs. a week

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By SUSAN THOMAS / Weekly World News

You can lose up to two pounds a week and get into super-slim shape by following the "Easiest Diet Ever."

The exciting weight-loss plan was developed by top nutritionists. And it's incredibly easy to stick to because you only have to diet every other day!

It's a dream come true: You don't have to worry about diet-wrecking cravings — because the plan allows you to eat the foods you love most.

With other plans, people often get discouraged and give up because they face weeks or even months before they can once again enjoy their favorite foods.

But with this new diet "you're never more than a day away from your favorite meal!" declared Dr. Frederick Stare, a nutrition expert.

"You eat three meals a day and plenty of snacks, and get to eat your favorite foods every other day, so it's easy to stick to this diet plan.

"It's healthy, nutritious, effective, and will allow you to lose up to two pounds a week. It's the easiest diet ever!"

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A DIET doesn't have to be a form of self-inflicted punishment. Following the Easiest Diet Ever allows you to lose up to 2 pounds a week — and still enjoy your favorite foods.

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Here are six simple rules to follow on your Easy Diet Plan:

1 On your diet days, eat three meals a day based on the sample daily menu and food list.

2 On your off-diet days, enjoy your favorite foods. There's no need to count calories, but eat sensibly and don't pig out. Whenever possible, choose low-fat, low-calorie versions of these foods, said Dr. William Castelli, famed heart specialist.

For example, substitute skim milk for whole milk, thin-sliced and low-fat cheese for regular.

"You can even have a cheeseburger or pizza as long as you use lean beef and low-fat cheese," said Dr. Frederick Stare, author of *Adventures in Nutrition.*

3 Eat slowly, deliberately chewing each mouthful. It takes time for the body to feel full and for hunger to wane. This gives your body that time.

4 Drink at least eight 8-ounce glasses of water each day to help curb hunger.

5 On your off-diet days, eat a large salad before your main meal, without dressing or with lemon juice, vinegar or a low-calorie dressing.

"Salads help fill you up at a relatively low calorie cost," said Dr. Stare. "So you'll be satisfied with smaller amounts of the main course."

6 Exercise regularly. "Start out slowly with something mild, like 20-minute walks or bicycle rides," said Dr. Stare.

"Gradually work up to about an hour of exercise four to six days a week."

He added: "As with any diet plan, check with your physician before you start.

"Take a daily multiple vitamin and mineral supplement to ensure that you get all the nutrients you need.

"You're guaranteed to lose up to two pounds a week on this diet. And after you've lost the weight you want and don't need to continue on a weight-loss program, you can follow the basic guidelines of the diet to keep the weight off, stay fit — and feel great!"

REGULAR EXERCISE like bike riding will help keep you fit.

Sample Menu

Choose items for the menu from the food list that follows.

Breakfast: 1 bread selection (60 calories). One dairy selection (70). 1 egg or 1 cereal selection (70) — but no more than 2 eggs per week. 1 fruit selection (50). Total: 250 calories.

Mid-morning snack: Steamed or raw vegetables, or 1 dairy item, or 1 fruit selection or 1 cereal/bread selection. Total: 50 to 70 calories.

Lunch: 1 choice from meat/fish (160). 1 bread selection (60). 1 vegetable selection (50). Total: 270 calories.

Mid-afternoon snack: Steamed or raw vegetables, or 1 dairy item, or 1 fruit selection or 1 cereal/bread selection. Total: 50 to 70 calories.

Dinner: 1 choice from meat/fish (160). 1 bread selection (60). 1 vegetable selection (50). Total: 270 calories.

Evening Snack: Steamed or raw vegetables, or 1 dairy item, or 1 fruit selection or 1 cereal/bread selection. Total: 50 to 70 calories.

Total calories per day: 940 to 1,000. Men may consume up to 1,200 calories daily by eating additional portions.

MEAT, POULTRY, FISH: Chicken or turkey, 3 oz.; lean steak, 3 oz.; lean roast beef, 4 oz.; lean ground beef, 3 oz.; lean cuts of pork, 3 oz.; veal, 3 oz.; cold cuts, 2 slices; bacon, crisp, 3 slices; cod, 4 oz.; tuna, drained, 3 to 4 oz.; salmon, swordfish, whitefish or sole, 3 oz.; clams, oysters, shrimp, 3 oz.; lobster, crab, 1/2 cup; eggs, medium (soft-boiled or poached), 2.

VEGETABLES: Asparagus, 12 spears; beets, 1 cup; cabbage, 1 cup; Brussels sprouts, 1 cup; onions, 1/2 cup; string beans, 1 cup; lima beans, 1/2 cup; peas, 1/2 cup; carrots, 2 medium; tomatoes, 1 cup; squash, 1 1/2 cups; dried beans, cooked, 1/2 cup; eggplant, 1 cup; broccoli, 1 cup; celery, 1 cup; green pepper, 1 cup; turnips, 1 cup; mushrooms, 1 cup; vegetable juice cocktail, 1 cup.

(If any of the above are served raw, celery, cucumber, lettuce, and radishes as you like.)

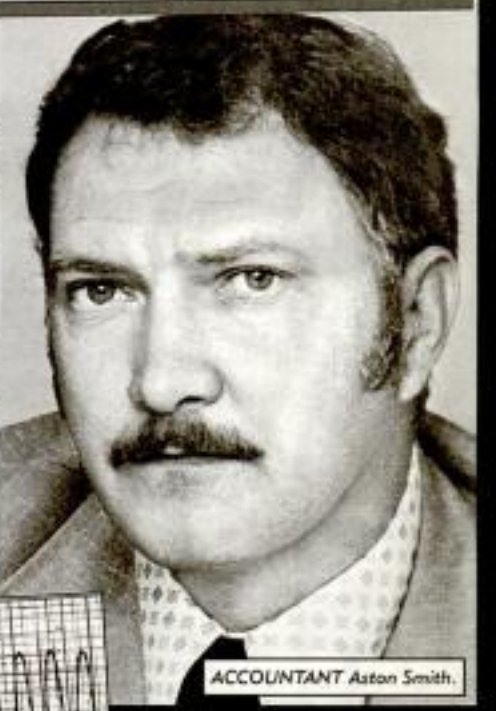
FRUITS: Grapefruit, 1/2 cup; apple, 1 small; orange, 1 small; grapes, 15; banana, 1/2; pear, 1 medium; peach, 1 medium; fresh pineapple, 1 slice; apricots, 3 medium; blueberries, 1/2 cup; cantaloupe, 1/2 small; honeydew melon, 2-inch-wide wedge; nectarine, 1 large; red raspberries, 2/3 cup; strawberries, 1 cup; tangerine, 1 large; watermelon, 1 1/2 cups; cherries, 15; plums, 2 medium; unsweetened fruit juice, 1/2 cup.

DAIRY: Skim milk, 6 oz.; nonfat dry milk, 1/2 cup; skim buttermilk, 1 cup; plain yogurt from skim milk, 1/2 cup; low-fat cottage cheese, 1/2 cup; low-fat cheese such as ricotta or mozzarella, 2 oz.; cream cheese, 1 1/2 tbsps.; light cream, 3 tbsps.; heavy cream, 1 1/2 tbsps.

CEREALS/BREADS: Whole grain pasta (not including sauce) 1/2 cup; whole-wheat crackers, 4; English muffin or hot dog/hamburger bun 1/2; tortilla, 1; cornbread, 1 2-inch-square piece; bran cereal, 1/3 cup; unsweetened ready-to-eat cereal, 3/4 cup; puffed cereal, unfrosted, 1 cup; cooked cereal, 1/2 cup; graham crackers, 2; saltines, 4; wheat germ, 2 tbsps.; oyster crackers, 1/3 cup.

Ticker sounds like buzz saw — but he's healthy as a horse!

Man's heart beats a whopping 400 times per minute



ACCOUNTANT Aston Smith.

By PAT WELLS / *Weekly World News*

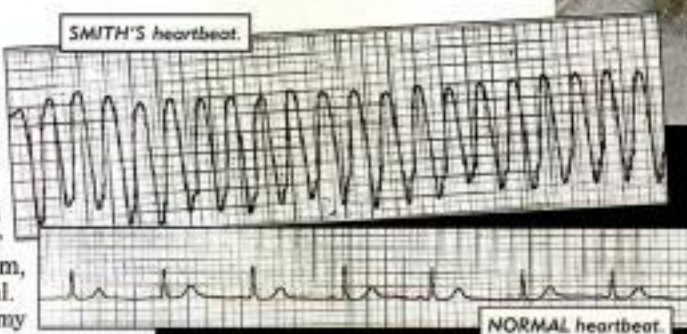
GISBORNE, New Zealand — Accountant Aston Smith has a perfectly healthy heart — yet it beats an incredible 400 times a minute!

Doctors can't explain why his ticker is revved up to super speed. Smith, 41, says that to him, the rapid heartbeat seems normal.

"I've had all sorts of tests run on my heart, and they say I'm in excellent shape," said the father of two. "It's been buzzing along like this for about 15 years now and I feel just fine.

"The only inconvenience is that it sounds like an electric blender. My wife complains she can't sleep at night — she has to use a separate bedroom."

Smith's bizarre heart condition developed suddenly in 1982 after a hard game of tennis, according to interviews with the patient and his doctors. His heart, racing from the physical stress of the game, simply never returned to a normal rate of 75 beats or so per minute.



That's an amazing 6.6 times every second!

Instead, the man's heart sustains an astounding 400 beats per minute — 6.6 beats a second — permanently! "At first I was terrified," recalled Smith in an interview with New Zealand's *Health* magazine. "I thought I was dying. It beat that way no matter what I was doing — when I slept, while I was eating, while I worked. I went to dozens of doctors and had every kind of test run and no one could explain what was going on. But they did find out that I was in perfect health and that my heartbeat isn't hurting me."

Smith says he has had to make some adjustments since his change of heart. He has to curtail heavy exercise because during a physical workout his heart rate can soar to 480 beats a minute.

"As far as we know, Mr. Smith's heart beats at a rate never encountered in medical history," said the man's cardiologist, Dr. Henry Todd.

"But his heart seems very efficient and he's otherwise normal."

Woman weds corpse!

PARIS, France — In a bizarre ceremony, a beautiful bride married the man of her dreams — three months after he died!

An auto accident killed would-be groom Jean-Louis Detre before his scheduled wedding and he was buried in the family plot.

But when his fiancee recovered from the shock of his death, she decided she still wanted to marry her sweetheart.

Jean-Louis' coffin was dug up and his fiancee Bernadette Heuze went ahead with the ceremony.

"French law can be quite flexible when it comes to people's emotions," a French lawyer explained.

Believe nothing, no matter where you read it, or who said it — unless it agrees with your own reason and your own common sense.

Bizarre hospital is for healthy patients only!

BERGEN, Norway — Psychiatrist Ingvard Wilhelmsen's clinic is for healthy patients. The new medical center treats hypochondriacs only. Dr. Wilhelmsen explains that hypochondriacs really suffer when they worry about imaginary ailments.

They're not twins — they AREN'T EVEN RELATED!

KANSAS CITY MAN MEETS HIS DOUBLE IN A BOOKSTORE!

"IT WAS like looking in a mirror," said John Toler, above, when he first saw Emile Magis.

EMILE Magis got more than he expected when he moved to America last year.

By JUSSARA SILVA / Weekly World News

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Emile Magis and John Toler look like identical twins — but they aren't even remotely related!

After they bumped into each other in a bookstore in Kansas City, the men also learned that their lives are amazingly similar in other ways, including the fact that both have:

- Blonde wives named Mary!
- Four boys ages 7, 9, 10 and 12!
- Jobs in the banking industry!
- Stamp and coin collections!
- Egg-shaped birthmarks on their left shoulders!
- Vacation homes in the North Carolina mountains!

To top it off, both men were amateur boxers, drive 1963 MG convertibles and prefer Mexican food.

"Emile and I are exact duplicates even though we aren't related and were actually born on different sides of the Atlantic," said Toler, who at 47 is two years older than his 45-year-old double.

"Emile comes from Brussels, Belgium, and I'm a native of Kansas City," he continued.

"Neither of us was adopted so we couldn't possibly be twins who were separated at birth. But look at us — we're cut from the same mold."

Magis and Toler were perfect strangers until July 2. That's when they came face-to-face while shopping for books in a Kansas City mall.

THEY HAVE IDENTICAL:
- **Jobs**
- **Cars**
- **Hobbies**
- **& Egg-shaped birthmarks!**

ently but it was still like bumping into a mirror," said Magis, who moved from Brussels to Kansas City late last year.

"I looked John in the eyes and said something like, 'I think I'm seeing things.' He said, 'I know this sounds crazy, but are you my double?'"

The men exchanged telephone numbers and agreed to stay in touch while they questioned relatives and checked family trees to see if they might possibly be related.

As it turned out they don't share a single common ancestor. Their appearance, as Magis put it, "is simply a fluke of nature."

"John and I have become friends since we met in the bookstore but the whole situation is still pretty eerie."

JOHN, left, and Emile were dumbfounded when they came face-to-face in a mall bookstore. How

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AQUARIUS	

ARIES
Mar. 21 – Apr. 19

Heads up, Aries! A decision you make this week will have a staggering impact — for better or worse — on the rest of your life. Stay calm and sober, rely on good, old-fashioned common sense — and brush aside that nosy, harebrained acquaintance whose idiot ideas could kill you.

Something from beneath the sea could bring happiness if you let it.

Someone dear longs to see your smile.

TAURUS
Apr. 20 – May 20

Those voices you hear in your head this week aren't imaginary, Taurus. Your subconscious, a very powerful force, is speaking out, giving you advice that could provide the key to fabulous riches. Tune in at all costs — because this opportunity may never come again.

A squabble is hurting you more than you know. Put it to rest — now.

A new kind of love is just around the corner.

GEMINI
May 21 – June 20

Your creative juices are flowing big-time this week, so now is the perfect time to pull off that little scheme that's been lurking in your head for so long. Don't let anyone tell you it won't work because it WILL work — if you think it through carefully and then go for it.

Someone close needs your help right away. Lend a hand.

Something silver could bring you very good luck.

CANCER
June 21 – July 22

All right, Cancer, it's time to loosen your collar, let your hair down and have a little fun for a change. All the work and heavy-duty worrying will pay off in time, but for the moment, the stars say relax, socialize with friends and loved ones and let the tension slip away.

A friend with stunning eyes has eyes only for you.

If you dream about money, pay attention — very close attention.

LEO
July 23 – Aug. 22

Listen up, Leo. The next sound you hear could be the ringing of the cash register. There's a million-dollar idea rummaging around in your head, but you've got to lasso it and put it to use before it's gone forever. Don't let the chance of a lifetime slip through your fingers.

An invitation to a party could lead to big trouble. Use your head.

A very special, and unexpected, new relationship is on the horizon.

VIRGO
Aug. 23 – Sept. 22

A mistake you made long ago could come back to haunt you in a big way. When it does, hold your head high, admit you did wrong and apologize. You'll weather the storm and be a better person for it.

Someone in authority has his (or her) eye on you and is planning steps that could put you on the road to prosperity.

A loved one's good fortune could bring you great joy.

LIBRA
Sept. 23 – Oct. 22

We hope you like excitement, Libra, because there's a humdinger of an adventure in your future — and it could begin within the next week. This is going to be one of the scariest and most exhilarating rides of your life — and when it ends, you'll find yourself screaming for more.

Jealousy could rear its ugly head late in the week. Slap it down.

A long-forgotten prayer could bring very good luck now.

SCORPIO
Oct. 23 – Nov. 21

Hold tight to your wallet this week, Scorpio, because there's a wolf in sheep's clothing who's trying to latch onto it at this very moment. Watch out for anyone who seems a little too friendly all of a sudden.

An unexpected letter or late night phone call could make you happier than you've been in quite some time.

A special poem holds the key to financial success.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 22 – Dec. 21

Keep your nose to the grindstone this week, friend, and great things can happen for you. A little extra elbow grease could set you on the road to romance and riches beyond your wildest dreams. Buckle up your work boots, slap on your hard hat and go for it.

Look to the sky. There's something there that could bring you joy.

A child needs your help in the worst way. Be there to give it.

CAPRICORN
Dec. 22 – Jan. 19

Wake up, Capricorn — this is no time to let your dreams die. It's time to dust them off, bite the bullet and do what it takes to make them come true. The stars are on your side.

A romantic interlude — and possibly much more — is yours for the asking. Just make sure it doesn't come with too high a price tag.

If you gamble, keep numbers 18 and 29 in mind.

AQUARIUS
Jan. 20 – Feb. 18

Others may poke fun at your way-out lifestyle and convictions this week, but stick to your guns. No one understands your needs like you do, and some very good things are coming your way.

Your personal charm is at an all-time high now, and an attractive stranger is eyeing you with more than a handshake in mind.

It's time to make peace with an old enemy.

PISCES
Feb. 19 – Mar. 20

A goal that's eluded you for a good, long time is within easy reach now. Take advantage of this chance to improve your life immensely.

You thought it was funny at the time, but a practical joke you played on someone in years past could backfire on you in a big way now.

A dream of sunshine and gardens could hold the key to a brighter future. Try to recognize it when it comes along.

If your birthday is this week . . .

Mon., Sept. 29 – Sun., Oct. 5

The year ahead will be one of love and laughter, tinged — possibly — with a bit of pain in the spring. But don't worry — the good times will outweigh the heartache by a country mile. Family members will surprise you in a most pleasant way sometime after Christmas, and someone nearly forgotten is due to re-enter your life with a bang. Your financial situation will take on a rosier glow.

Hapless homeowner rides lawnmower over 200-foot cliff!

PORT ANGELES, Wash. — Homeowner Ken Campbell accidentally rode his power mower off the side of a cliff and fell 200 feet to his death.

Campbell, 55, was mowing the lawn at his vacation home east of here when he turned sharply, trying to avoid going over the side of the cliff.

But the mower locked in high gear and Campbell tumbled 200 feet down a sandstone bluff to the rocky beach below, sheriff's deputies said.

Bright men are more likely to cheat than smart women!

Brainy men are more likely to commit adultery, but the same isn't true of smart women, says a new sex survey.

Researchers found that college educated men are 86 percent more likely to cheat than fellows who didn't finish high school. But when women get college degrees, they are 47 percent less likely to have affairs.

The study found female doctors are among the least likely to cheat on their husbands.

DOG SURVIVES 18 HOURS IN FREEZER!

LODI, Calif. — Prince the pooch miraculously awakened after being locked in a dog pound freezer for 18 hours.

The dog had lapsed into a coma after being struck by a car. When he didn't wake up, the distraught owner took him to the pound for disposal.

Pound manager Earl Monroe was stunned when he opened the freezer 18 hours later, and the dog walked out. Monroe said he hadn't seen anything like it in 29 years on the job.

Running into debt isn't so

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SUPER AUTUMN SPECIAL

BEFORE: Paul and Marie Gillon with their daughters Jenny, left and Kendra.

This couple their girls

By SAMMY LEWIS
Weekly World News

ANTWERP, Belgium — Paul and Maria Gillon swapped their daughters for a neighbor's sons in one of the strangest adoption cases on record.

Even more amazing, the kiddie switch was made with the blessing of government officials who concluded that the trade was in the best interests of both families.

"Adoptions are very serious and this one was certainly no exception," Roger Franck, of the Children's Welfare Office, told newsmen.

"But after reviewing the situation we decided that the trade was both appropriate and beneficial. The children are happy. The parents are happy.

"You can't ask for more than that, now can you?"

The Gillons' decision to swap children with single parent Patricia Monami wasn't made in haste.

The families live three houses apart and had known each other for two years before Mrs. Gillon half-jokingly mentioned a trade and Mrs. Monami said: "I might take you up on that."

"Paul and I always wanted boys and Patricia wanted girls so the trade was a natural," said Mrs. Gillon. "We discussed it with the children and they were all for it.

"At that point we decided: 'Why not?' "

The Gillons and Mrs. Monami told authorities of their intention to trade children in July. Adoption papers were drawn up after the required investigation and the families signed them in late September. Now Mrs. Monami's sons Bobby, 6, and Carl, 2, are living with the Gillons. And the Gillons' daugh-

BEFORE: Single mom Patricia Monami with her sons Bobby, left, and Carl.

NEIGHBORS SWAP KIDS!

traded . . . for single mom's two sons!

AFTER: The Gillons happily frolic with their new sons, Bobby and Carl.

ters Jenny, 8, and Kendra, 3, are living with Mrs. Monami.

"We still have visitation rights with our natural children so we not only got our cake — we get to eat it, too," Mrs. Monami said.

Mrs. Gillon added: "My husband and I are thrilled with the trade and we're going to do everything in our power to give the boys a good life with us.

"That's not to say we'll forget the girls. We've got enough love for them, too."

Oddly enough, the child swap is not without precedent. In 1977 two German families traded children after a bitter and lengthy legal battle with the government.

Bizarre adoptions have made everybody happy!

AFTER: Patricia enjoys a happy moment with her beautiful new daughters Jenny and Kendra.

Japanese women allowed to work night shift for the first time in 50 years!

TOKYO — A new law allows Japanese women to work the overnight shift for the first time in 50 years.

Women have been prohibited from working at most jobs in Japan between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. since 1947. The new law, which takes effect in April of 1999, also requires companies to enact equal hiring and promotion policies.

The traditional attitude in Japan is that a woman's place is in the home, and women have more difficulty finding jobs than do men.

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Bizarre attack sends panic-stricken residents running for cover!

TOWN FIREBOMBED BY UFO!

CHARRED remains of pieces of burning metal dropped by the UFO.

Over 100 flaming metal objects dropped in 5-minute bombardment!

SHAKEN Frances Williams describes the

By JUSSARA SILVA
Weekly World News

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica — Terror-stricken residents of a small resort community here are still in a state of shock after a nighttime attack by an oval-shaped UFO that bombarded them with flaming metal objects.

"I thought the world was coming to an end," said Frances Williams, an American retiree who has lived here since 1995. "It was the most frightening experience of my life.

"My knees are still shaking."

Mrs. Williams was getting ready for bed at about 10:30 p.m. when the sky turned a bright yellow outside her home in a suburban neighborhood of American ex-patriots southeast of San Jose.

"I rushed to the window and looked outside," she said. "About 100 feet in the air was a weird-looking thing surrounded by what appeared to be a bluish-green glow."

The UFO was 50 to 60 feet wide with no noticeable windows or doors, she said.

"It was hovering there making a low humming sound. Most of the neighbors were standing in their yards staring up at the thing," she said.

Seconds later the UFO unleashed a barrage of flaming metal objects at least three feet long and terrified townsfolk ran for cover.

"One landed on the roof of my house and another one slammed to the ground within a foot of Fred Glidden, a retired Detroit auto worker who lives across the street from Mrs. Williams.

The real-life science-fiction horror lasted only five short minutes, but the scared residents estimate more than 100 alien firebombs scorched their tiny neighborhood during that time.

Then, just as quickly as the UFO appeared, it soared toward space with lightning speed.

Fortunately, no one was injured in the bizarre attack, and there was only minor damage to the roofs of two homes and three garages.

All but a handful of the flaming objects burned themselves out, and the salvaged pieces were turned over to local authorities.

"They are definitely made out of some kind of metal, but not of a substance found on this planet," said a government spokesman.

"They look like lava chunks."

At least 14 people in the quiet neighborhood got a close look at the UFO and dozens of others saw it from a distance as it hovered and flew away.

"A FLAMING metal object landed on the roof of my house," says stunned neighbor Fred Glidden.

the thing picked our neighborhood to bomb," said Mrs. Williams.

"Was it really an attack from outer space or was it an accident? I guess we'll never know."

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'Spike got a little carried away,' says red-faced owner

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FETCH-HAPPY MUTT SWIPES 149 NEWSPAPERS!

TAMPA, Fla. — Dog owner Dick Stelphen told his pet Rottweiler to go fetch the morning paper and the confused canine came back with 149 of them!

The mixed-up mutt scoured the neighborhood grabbing every newspaper he could clamp his teeth on. He even snatched one right out of a woman's hand.

"I couldn't believe Spike would fetch everyone's paper," red-faced Stelphen told a reporter for a weekly paper near Tampa. "Some of my neighbors were ready to lynch me when they found out."

By JUNE SAWYER
Weekly World News

A stunned Stelphen said he opened the front door shortly after 6 a.m. and told Spike to go get the paper, which was lying on the lawn near the front sidewalk.

"He brought it right to me and I went inside to drink my coffee. Two hours later an angry woman in a bathrobe knocked on my front door.

"Piles of rolled-up morning papers filled my front porch and the steps leading to it. One of them belonged to the lady who knocked on my door."

She demanded — in no uncertain terms — that Stelphen exercise a bit more control over his pilfering pooch.

Sneaky Spike apparently had roamed the neighborhood for blocks in every direction, swiping papers and bringing them back to his master.

Stelphen and his wife Anne returned as many of the papers as possible, but didn't know who subscribed and who didn't.

A spokesman for one of the area's daily newspapers said their circulation department's phones "rang off the hook" for more than an hour as irate customers called about their missing morning paper.

"We had a truck out delivering papers to those customers when we ran into Stelphen and his wife.

"They told us what had happened," said the spokesman.

NEIGHBORHOOD NUISANCE: Dick and Anne Stelphen got the shock of their lives when they found Spike's pile of newspapers.

Boozing con man swipes motorists' liquor — by posing as a cop!

A clever con man with a seemingly unquenchable thirst is getting all the booze he can handle — by disguising himself as a cop and seizing open containers of liquor from unsuspecting motorists!

The sneaky sot patrols the highways of Nova Scotia in an aging Ford with a red light on the dash and pulls folks over so he can confiscate their booze.

Royal Mounties, eager to put a cork in the con man's tricky scheme, have alerted motorists to quickly report any suspicious or phony-looking cops.

There are three ways in which a man can wear his

THE TOP-RATED U.S. PRODUCTS

Roach bait, razors and rental cars are among the U.S. products rated as best in the world year in and year out.

According to *Fortune* magazine, there are numerous "Made in the U.S.A." products that are consistently better than foreign products. Also praised are helicopters and medical equipment, including tita-

She popped it into her mouth in 1960 — when she was 7!

GAL CHEWS SAME PIECE OF GUM — FOR 37 YEARS!

HARRIET Losky proudly displays piece of bubble gum she's been chewing for a whopping 37 years!

By JASON JONES / *Weekly World News*

DENVER, Colo. — Harriet Losky put a wad of bubble gum into her mouth when she was 7 years old — and she's been chewing that same piece of gum for 37 straight years.

"It's as tasty and chewy as the day I bought it. I plan to chew it till the day I die," she told a newspaper reporter.

Harriet bought the bubble gum "at a five and dime store for a penny on Jan. 12, 1960."

"I didn't plan on chewing this same piece of gum forever. It just happened that way.

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"Now I guess I'm just too old to change my ways," she said.

The 44-year-old housewife and mother of two was in the second grade when she bought a few school supplies and the package of gum. "Nobody could blow a bigger bubble than me," she said. As the years passed, preserving the wad of gum each night became as normal as brushing her teeth. She carefully kept it in a glass of fresh water on a table beside her bed.

"Once or twice through the years I spilled the glass, but it was easy to wash off my precious gum," she said.

Harriet's husband of 22 years chewed gum regularly, too, until he got dentures five years ago.

"Her chewing doesn't bother me. She's kind of a hyper person and the gum has a calming effect," he said.

The gum-chewing mom plans to contact the *Guinness Book of Records*.

"It's gotta be a record," she says.

A spokesman for the company that made the bubble gum was amazed someone has actually chewed the same wad for that length of time.

"That's certainly a first," said the firm's public relations director. "If she has been chewing one piece for 37 years, it doesn't seem like she'll ever buy another piece. I'm glad most of our customers are less frugal with their gum."

Her understanding husband of 22 years chewed gum regularly, too, until he got dentures five years ago.

"Her chewing doesn't bother me. She's kind of a hyper person and the gum has a calming effect," he said.

Distraught man botches several suicide attempts!

MANILA, Philippines — Rogelio Aparicio's day went from bad to worse when he decided to shoot himself after his wife left him.

Aparicio attempted to shoot himself in the temple, but the bullet just grazed his head. Undeterred, Aparicio then aimed the gun in his mouth, but only managed to shoot one of his lips off. By this time, the police had been notified about the gunshots and had arrived.

They arrested Aparicio for having an unregistered handgun.

Four women attack driver who beat them to parking space!

GLENDALE, Calif. — Four women attacked the driver of another car with pepper spray after the other woman beat them to a parking space outside a shopping mall.

The victim notified the police, who later found the four women arguing in the parking lot be-

women with assault, the police officers helped them open their car — only to discover hundreds

FIRE SHOCKER!

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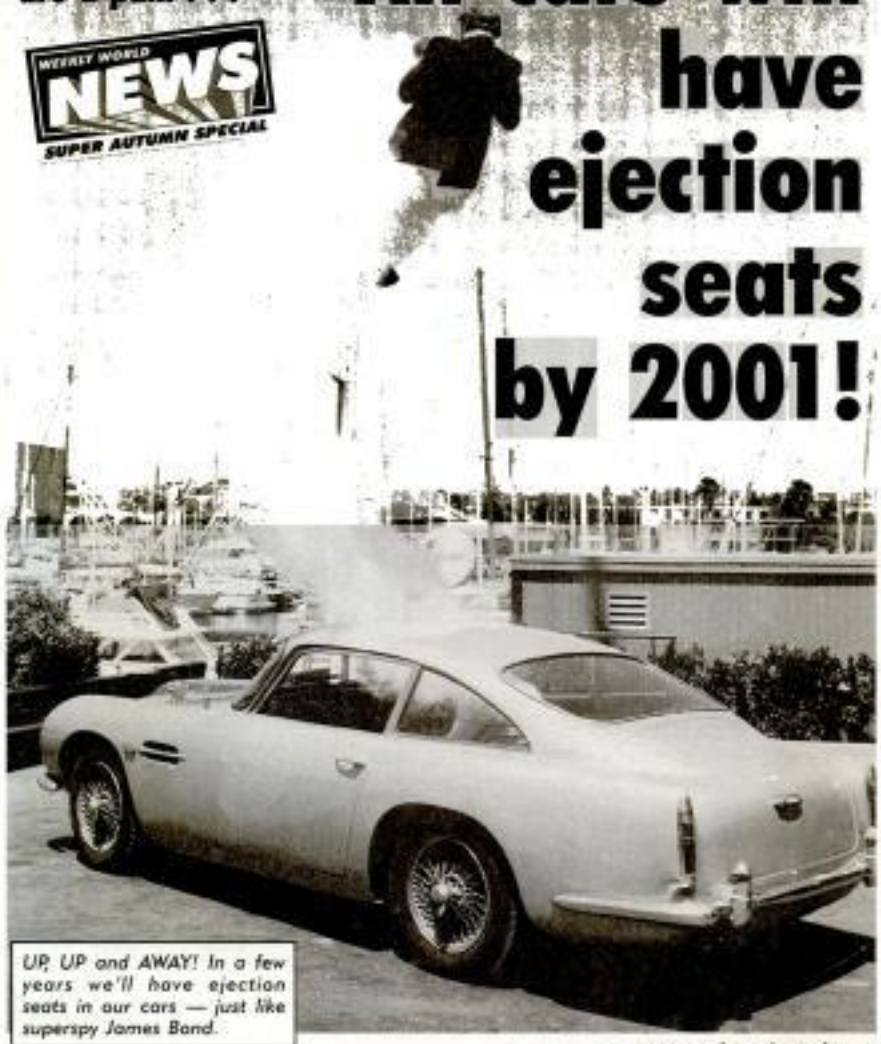

UP, UP and AWAY! In a few years we'll have ejection seats in our cars — just like superspy James Bond.

GENOA, Italy — If inventor Sergio Calarco gets his way, every car in the world will come equipped with ejection seats by the year 2001!

By JIM SHANNON
Weekly World News

Sergio Calarco

"It's true," declared Calarco. "Ejection seats have so many practical uses that we can no longer afford to be without them. To tell the truth, they'll save thousands of lives.

"If your car stalled on a train track, you could blow yourself to safety before the locomotive hit. If a robber or rapist jumped through a door at a traffic light, you could send yourself — or him — sailing

or movies without bothering to stop. Ejection seats really are the wave of the future. And the uses are only limited by your imagination."

Ejection seats have been around for years but the cost — which used to run $10,000 per unit — kept manufacturers from putting them into their cars.

Calarco says that's going to change because he has developed an ejector mech-

sunroof so ejected passengers will be thrown clear of the car.

"Reliability used to be a problem but not anymore," said Calarco. "My ejection seat works beautifully and auto manufacturers all over the world couldn't agree more.

"Their goal is to have ejection seats in selected sports and luxury cars by 1999. By 2000 or 2001, they should be available as options on all but the cheapest product lines."

But not everyone is so keen on the idea. As one automotive writer put it: "Calarco can blast out of his car as often as he likes, but

Vicious croc breaks restraints & attacks three men!

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By BEATRICE DEXTER / Weekly World News

Raging reptile mauls two — and kills one!

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — The horrifying photo at right was snapped seconds before a killer crocodile shook off his restraints and attacked three handlers, badly mauling two men and tearing the third to shreds!

Authorities say the 12-foot-long, 720-pound croc slipped his bonds as Everet Sandler, Carl Milton and Howard James were moving him into the crocodile pit. The angry reptile turned on the men in a flash — and savaged them as they desperately tried to escape through the cage door.

"It was absolutely horrible," says photographer Winston Plummer, who dropped his camera and ran to the assistance of the stricken men. "They couldn't get out of there. The animal was all over them, slashing them with its teeth and raking them with its clawed feet.

"By the time we finally opened the door and got everybody out, it was too late for Carl Milton. He was torn to pieces. He wasn't even breathing by the time that croc was finished with him."

Milton, 27, was pronounced dead at the scene and James, 31, and Sandler, 29, were hospitalized in serious condition. Doctors say both will require extensive surgery.

DEAD AT SCENE: Carl Milton.

EXCLUSIVE PHOTO SHOWS horrified handlers trying to escape the crocodile pit just seconds before the angry reptile attacked.

According to eyewitness accounts, the tragic attack occurred when three employees of a traveling animal fair were moving a male crocodile from a truck into his exhibition pit. The crocodile had been tranquilized and bound with hemp cords, but the drugs wore off before his three handlers were finished with their task and the animal began to tear free from his restraints.

"I was taking pictures when the croc suddenly broke free of the ropes and went berserk," newspaper photographer Plummer recalled. "The guys scrambled toward the door, but the croc was enraged and was right on them in a second, biting and tearing at them. They were trapped up against the bars of the cage.

"I rushed to help, got the door open and began pulling those fellows out of there. But by the time we got to Milton he was already dead."

The 15-year-old crocodile was immobilized with a tranquilizer gun and confined following the frightening attack. A spokesman for South African Animal Exhibitions, which owns the reptile,

MOM'S SOUR MILK!

Nursing moms should beware of exercise — because it turns their breast milk sour!

Although many new moms are anxious to get back in shape, a recent study reveals that exercise makes normally sweet breast milk taste sour.

Researchers at Indiana University found that athletic workouts raise the concentration of lactic acid, a muscle waste product that "sours" the milk.

HOODLUM SHOCKER!

CAIRO, Egypt — Officials have arrested a group of teenage hoodlums — because they were planning to paint a happy face on the Sphinx!

A gang had schemed for months to scale the

Town celebrates 45-foot-tall statue of a goat made of rice!

BEMAVO, Madagascar — A huge festival last week celebrated the town's pride and joy — a 45-foot-tall statue of a goat sculpted entirely out of rice.

Many of the townsfolk even had the good fortune to ride in the parade when the impressive artwork was unveiled.

Unfortunately, the party was spoiled when one parade float crashed into the goat, completely destroying it. Teary-eyed city fathers vowed to rebuild the statue.

ROAD-RUNNING BIRD DRAG RACES TRAFFIC!

By JOE BERGER / *Weekly World News*

NEWCHAPEL, England — Bewildered motorist Suzanne Turner got the shock of her life when she glanced out her car window and found herself in a 60 m.p.h. drag race — with a speeding emu!

Startled Suzanne did a double take as the fleet-footed bird dashed past her on the highway like she was standing still. Suddenly, tires were squealing and screeching up and down the busy expressway as other dumbfounded drivers came face-to-face with the spindly-legged creature from the Australian outback.

"Nobody could believe what they were seeing," flabbergasted Suzanne, 28, told reporters. "That goofy bird looked right through my window with his beady little eyes like he was challenging me to a race. Then he just darted on past, leaving me in the dust. They say those things can run more than 60 m.p.h. — and now I believe it."

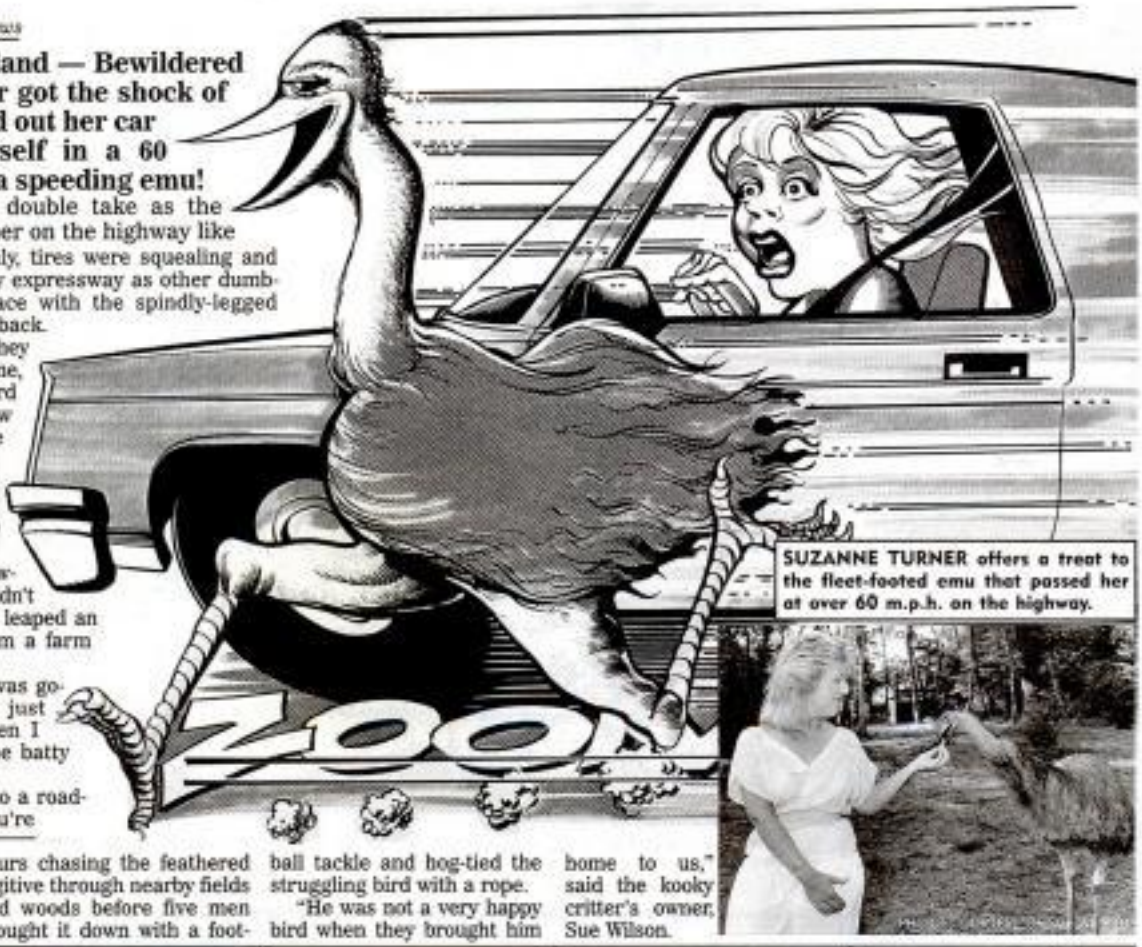
The astonished airline stewardess and her fellow motorists didn't know it, but the elusive emu had leaped an eight-foot fence and escaped from a farm where it was kept as a pet.

"I didn't have a clue what was going on," Suzanne recalled. "I'd just gotten off a long flight, and when I saw that thing I thought I'd gone batty from exhaustion."

The bleary-eyed lady dashed to a roadside phone and told police: "You're not going to believe this, but I've just seen this huge bird running along the highway."

Traffic cops and other big-bird hunters spent seven hours chasing the feathered fugitive through nearby fields and woods before five men brought it down with a football tackle and hog-tied the struggling bird with a rope.

"He was not a very happy bird when they brought him home to us," said the kooky critter's owner, Sue Wilson.



SUZANNE TURNER offers a treat to the fleet-footed emu that passed her at over 60 m.p.h. on the highway.

SURVEY SHOCKER! We have sex 100 million times a day!

GENEVA, Switzerland —For every minute that ticks off the clock, 69,000 couples around the world are busy at work — having sex.

That's the latest word from a new World Health Organization study, which says that people around the world indulge in 100 million acts of sexual intercourse a day.

Because of this sexual explosion, an average of 910,000 women conceive from abortions daily and 500,000 women die of complications from pregnan-

Laziness is nothing more than the habit of resting before you get tired.

Celebrities' hot air sells for big bucks!

PARIS — The hottest items in France nowadays are balloons blown up by movie stars and celebrities.

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WARNING! TIGHT JEANS CAN CRIPPLE YOU!

Squeezing into skin-tight jeans may be stylish, but doctors say you'll pay a painful price later.

Wearing snug jeans puts pressure on the cutaneous nerve, which runs from the lower spinal cord to the thigh, and can cause inflammation and extreme pain, says Swiss pediatrician Dr.

Dying for a smoke!

MUNICH, Germany — Best-selling author Gisela Eisner, 55, jumped to her death from the fifth-floor window of a stop-smoking clinic — because the staff wouldn't let her have a cigarette!

Cops said the woman

Mom raises family on strict junk-food diet

... & THEY'RE HEALTHY AS HORSES!

JUNK FOOD FAMILY, from left, Frank, Frannie and Connie McKintry chow down on a fatty, high calorie dinner.

PHOTO COURTESY OF FRANNIE McKINTRY

By RACHEL LUX / *Weekly World News*

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Frannie McKintry serves her family nothing but junk food — and they're healthy as horses!

The mother of two bans fruits and veggies from her table, giving her family only high-cal, low-nutrition foods like potato chips, cookies and candy bars. She swears it makes them healthier, smarter and more energetic than folks who eat supposedly healthful foods.

"I don't care what the experts say. I've seen the benefits of junk food with my own eyes," says the slender divorcee, 45, who proudly serves her kids bowls of M&Ms for breakfast.

"My son is a super athlete and my daughter Connie doesn't have zits anymore. Everybody asks me how I keep them so healthy. It's junk food, I tell them. Nothing but junk food."

The part-time secretary says she used to worry about preparing only "healthy" meals with a variety of foods from the four food groups. But while her family was eating low-fat meals of grains, dairy products, fruits, vegetables and meat, they were suffering from a host of horrible ailments.

"My 11-year-old son Frank had halitosis, dandruff, decaying teeth, constant colds, allergies and terrible gas attacks," Mrs. McKintry recalls. "My daughter had digestive troubles, low energy, mood swings and terrible acne even though she was only 15. And I was tense all the time and had awful headaches."

Mrs. McKintry says she was feeling so bad that she lost enthusiasm for cooking and began feeding her family jelly beans, cookies, Cheetos and other junk snacks.

Incredibly, her family's health problems vanished. Within months, her kids were looking great, with shiny hair, clear skin and no sickness. Frank took up baseball and football. Connie won a Little Miss Teenager contest and her popularity with the guys soared.

"He wanted to know how we did it."

Mrs. McKintry believes we've all been sold a bill of goods by the health food industry.

What the McKintrys eat

Mrs. McKintry provided the *NEWS* with a typical day's menu for her family:

BREAKFAST: Bowl of M&Ms or potato chips, soda or Kool-Aid

LUNCH: Peanuts, chips or french fries, candy bars, Twinkies, cookies, milkshakes, soda or Kool-Aid

DINNER: Heaping platter of jelly beans and Sour Balls

Side of Cheetos, Fritos or pretzels, hot fried pork skins

Soda, milkshakes, lemonade (extra sugar)

Dessert of fudge, Popsicles, cake

BIZARRE NEW SPORT IS A CUT ABOVE

MEXICO CITY — Bloodthirsty sport fans here are flocking to after-hours bars to see daredevil carpenters compete in the dangerous sport of dueling with hand saws.

The shocking sport reportedly started last year after a couple of carpenters in San Luis Potosi watched an old pirate movie on TV and decided to act out a sword fight with their saws. The trend quickly

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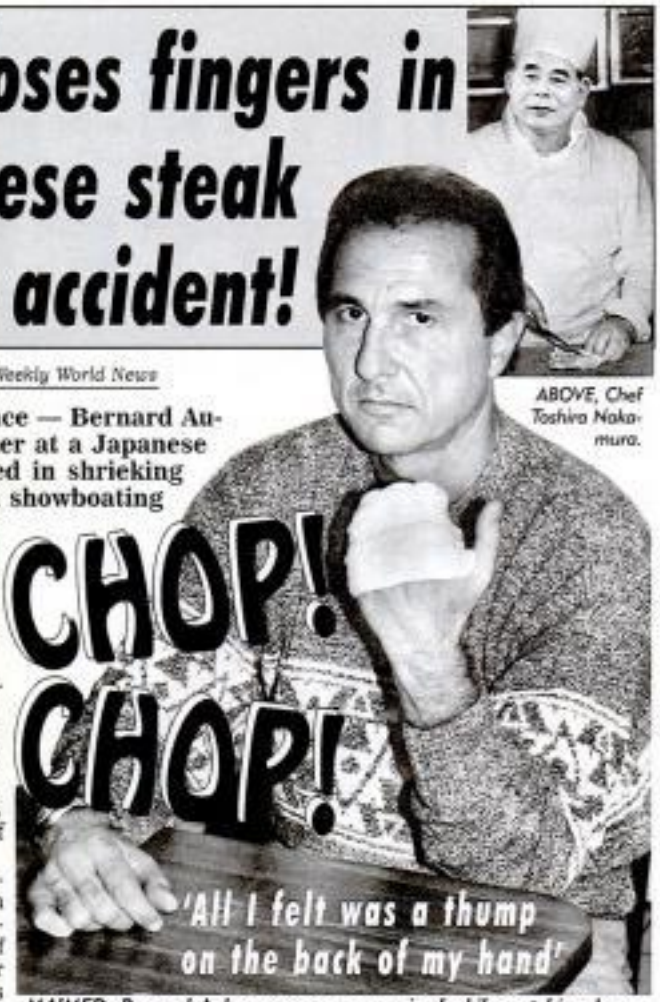
Man loses fingers in Japanese steak house accident!

By KELLY TURNER / Weekly World News



ABOVE, Chef Toshira Nakamura.

MAIMED: Bernard Aubrey was so mesmerized while watching Japanese Chef Toshira chop up food that he didn't realize his fingers were sliced off until he saw them on his plate.

RENNES, France — Bernard Aubrey's fancy dinner at a Japanese steak house ended in shrieking horror — when a showboating chef accidentally chopped off the poor guy's fingers with a whirling, slashing knife blade!

The gruesome drama unfolded as unsuspecting Bernard ate alone at the grand opening of the Mt. Fuji Steak House, the first restaurant of its kind in Rennes.

The 41-year-old engineer had never seen a Japanese steak ceremony, where the chef whirls and twirls a pair of razor-sharp knives as he slices, dices and quickly stir-frys the customer's meal.

In his statement to police, Bernard said he moved in for a closer look — and inadvertently put his left hand down on the chef's chopping block.

"I was so mesmerized by the show that I put my hand down and leaned forward to see better," he recalled.

"I felt a thump on the back of my hand, but the chef was chopping meat and vegetables and slinging them around so fast I didn't realize four of my fingers were missing until I saw them on my plate, covered with teriyaki sauce.

"That's when I let out a scream and almost passed out."

The bloody customer and his fingers were rushed to a hospital, but attempts to reattach them failed — because fingers had been rare instead of well done, he might have saved them," Bernard joked bravely.

The maimed man has consulted a lawyer and says he will sue the restaurant and its knife-juggling chef. But Chef Toshira Nakamura insists he's not to blame. "I'm sorry about the accident but it was his fault, not mine," Chef Toshira said. "Any idiot knows that when knives are flying, you don't want to get too close to the action."

Cancer patient turns himself into human torch while lighting his cigar!

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Throat cancer patient Abraham Mosley, 64, was trying to light a cigar when he set the gauze bandages around his throat on fire — and burned to a crisp!

Investigators said Mosley, confined to a hospital bed in his kitchen, ignited strips of paper on the burner of his stove and was trying to light his cigar with the pajamas ablaze. "He was a walking torch when I woke up," said his sister, Katie Brown.

"That sight will stay with me the rest of my life."

Mosley was rushed to

8 LIFESAVING TIPS THAT CAN SAVE YOUR BUTT!

You can survive almost any emergency if you keep your wits about you, says Anthony Greenbank, author of *The Survival Handbook.*

He's gathered thousands of suggestions for what to do in a variety of emergency situations, and his lifesaving tips may come in handy some day.

Here are some of his more fascinating ideas for how you can save your hide from every hazard:

☞ When car brakes fail: Downshift and use the emergency brake. If it doesn't work, drive onto the shoulder. If you can't get off the road, brush the car against walls, banks or buildings to slow it.

☞ Car speeds toward you at pedestrian crossing: Fling yourself onto the hood, trying to grab the wipers.

☞ Eating repulsive foods for survival: Shut your eyes and pinch your nose, then take a big bite and chew. This method works well enough to make a raw potato taste like a Golden Delicious apple.

By JUSSARA SILVA
Weekly World News

☞ Savage dog attack: Chop the beast on the snout, or slam your arm to the back of its jaws.

If it doesn't work, clutch its back between your crossed legs. If you go down with it, squeeze as hard as you can.

☞ Keeping your money safe from pickpockets and purse snatchers: The best place for men to keep their money is in the two front trouser pockets — never in the back pocket. Women should keep money inside a wallet in their handbag. Tuck bag under arm. Don't wear your bag from a shoulder strap.

TUCK your purse under your arm so you are not an easy target for purse snatchers.

☞ Making life preservers out of clothing: Wet clothing will trap enough air to keep you afloat for a while. For example, knotting the legs of trousers and scooping up air before closing up the waist will provide a lifesaving flotation device.

☞ Freeing a child whose head is stuck between railings: Turn him upside down and slip his head out. He's stuck because the ears flatten as the head goes in, but are pulled outward if the head is pulled backward.

☞ Dying of thirst: Suck on something smooth and nonabsorbent like a fruit pit or pebble. Try to sweat as little as possible. Move slowly, and in hot climates, wear lots of body-covering clothes to check evaporation.

Don't drink sea water, urine, alcohol, car battery water, fish fluids, snow or ice. Look for fruit, plants or dew and set out containers

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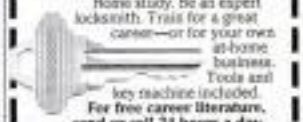

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HITLER'S SECRET FOUND . . . living in America!

By ANN HUGHEY / *Weekly World News*

Adolf Hitler's son lived in fear and obscurity for 68 years, but now he's decided to come out of hiding — and let his true identity be known!

And while Indianapolis retiree Werner Schmedt is almost certainly risking his life by going public, he plans to tell the whole gripping story in a blockbuster new book, *I Am Hitler's Son*, which should be available across the country next fall.

"I'm not proud of my father or the things that he stood for, but there comes a time when a man must accept his ancestry, heritage and fate," declared the white-haired, grandfatherly Schmedt.

"I'm older now. I'm not in the best of health. And I'm tired of living a lie."

Other men have called themselves sons of Hitler but Schmedt, who never married, is the first to produce hard evidence to support his claims.

Rare and previously unpublished photographs clearly place Hitler, Schmedt and Schmedt's mother, Geli Raubal, together in the 1920s and early 1930s.

He also has mementos that were given to him by the Fuhrer. And his recollections of Hitler are so intimate and detailed that he couldn't possibly have gleaned them from books or documentaries, experts have confirmed.

Schmedt says he was born in Berlin on Feb. 23, 1929, and lived with his mother until she shot herself to death in 1931.

"Geli Raubal and Hitler had a well-documented relationship and I've got dozens of snapshots of them in my scrapbooks," said Schmedt. "I was a baby when she committed suicide, of course, so I don't remember much about her. I was reared by nannies in Germany and Austria.

"Until now, they were the only people other than me who knew that Hitler was my dad."

Schmedt says Hitler visited him 10 or 12 times a year while he was growing up and insisted the child call him "Father."

"When I was 11, I asked him why our names were different and he said it was too dangerous for me to be associated with him," said Schmedt. "A few years later, he told me: 'You are my son. You will follow in my footsteps.

"'And when the time comes, I will give you everything, including the world.'

"He told me that in 1945," Schmedt continued. "I never saw my father again."

Schmedt refused to identify the women who reared him because he doesn't want them to suffer for their role in hiding Hitler's son.

He did say that he came to the United States in 1951 and became a citizen after he graduated "from a major university with an engineering degree in 1965." He retired two years ago so he could work on his book.

Birth certificates don't necessarily prove identity because they are so easy to fake. For the record, Schmedt's indicates that he was named Werner Hermann Schmedt at birth but identifies his parents only by their initials — H. and R.

Der Fuhrer's only child reveals shocking secrets about the infamous WW2 Nazi leader!

RARE PHOTOGRAPH shows proud papa

Adolf Hitler was a cruel dictator but Werner Schmedt says he was a kind and loving father — the kind of man that any kid would be proud to call "dad."

"The Hitler that I knew wasn't a madman — he was kind and compassionate, and very much interested in me," said Schmedt.

"He could be firm when the situation called for it, of course, and there were more than a few occasions when he disciplined me with his belt.

"But he didn't set goals that I couldn't reach or make unreasonable demands. As long as he knew I was giving 100 percent, he was happy and let me know it."

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ADOLF Hitler was 47 years old when this photo was taken in 1936.

HITLER'S SON Werner Schmedt holds photo of his parents: Dad Adolf and mom Geli Raubal.

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Docs used hornet's nest, moonshine and even human pee as tried-and-true old-time home cures!

By KELLY TURNER / *Weekly World News*

In "the good old days," folks in the country couldn't run to the doctor every time they felt a tad poorly. Instead, they used a tried-and-true, homegrown remedy — like cow manure, snake oil or a jigger of ordinary kerosene!

Some of the remedies popular at the turn of the century were straightforward — cod liver oil, camphor, a hot bowl of chicken soup.

But often as not, they were downright bizarre — spider webs, dirty socks and sheep urine.

And oftentimes, they actually worked!

Here are just a few of those old-time home cures that author Elizabeth Janos has compiled in her informative book *Country Folk Medicine*. Don't try them without checking with your doctor!

℞ FOR A COLD: Mix and drink two shots of moonshine, one teaspoon of ginger, a tablespoon of sugar and hot water. This will make you sweat real good . . . but watch out — the stuff "burns like hell going down!"

℞ FOR TOOTHACHES: Take the gray wall of a hornet's nest, soak it in vinegar. Put it on the cheek as a poultice.

℞ FOR PILES: Rub on turpentine. "You'll run around the house screaming bloody murder, but you won't be bothered by piles again."

Miss Janos interviewed hundreds of elderly people who recalled some of the homespun medicines they were doctored with when they were young 'uns. Some were so awful, they'd gag a maggot.

For example:

"Father used to buy a big bottle of (rattlesnake) oil at the county fair," one old-timer said.

"It would cure most anything — toothache, earache, rheumatism, neuralgia. My dear mother even rubbed it on a corn once.

"It penetrated right through the shoe leather."

One elderly woman recalled the effective but disgusting treatment she once was subjected to when she had an earache:

"An Indian woman had me urinate in a pot. She told me to lie on my side and she filled my ear with the urine. The earache went away, but I cried all day because of the humiliation of having urine in my ear."

And then there's this mind-boggling method of ridding the body of a very unsavory visitor — a tapeworm!

"For tapeworm, starve it. Then hold some warm milk up to your nose and sniff deeply. The tapeworm will stick his head out of your nose to get the milk. Hold the milk farther away from him, thus drawing him out."

So much for medicine in "the good old days."

The fascination of shooting as a sport depends on whether you are at the right or wrong end of the gun.

KID SHOOTS MOM OVER POP!

Six-year-old wanted a soda — & she wouldn't give him one!

LILLE, France — Six-year-old Claude Mande wanted a Coke and his mom wouldn't give him one — so he shot her!

Now the feisty first-grader is in a children's home and his mother is in the hospital recuperating from a stomach wound.

"He went into the bedroom, found his dad's hunting rifle, loaded it and went back to the kitchen where his mother was," said police spokesman Pierre Desmohl. "She had her back to the boy and didn't see what he was doing. When she turned around to speak to him, he fired."

Francoise Mande, 32, is in serious condition with a bullet wound that perforated her right kidney. Officer Desmohl said. Doctors say she may

ing. But on September 5 they had an argument over a soft drink that escalated into senseless violence. The injured woman said Claude had been whining and grumpy most of the morning and at lunchtime demanded a Coke with his meal.

When she told him he couldn't have one, he jumped up and ran from the table. "I thought he'd gone to his room to pout," Mrs. Mande said. "When I was clearing the dishes from the table, I heard a sound behind me and turned around — and there he was with the rifle pointed at me. I said, 'Claude, put that gun down right this minute!' but he just looked me right in the eye and pulled the trigger. Then, after he saw that I was injured he became very

EXPERTS WARN:

Jealousy rots your face!

Jealousy can age you, agree experts who offer some hints on how to stay younger longer by dealing with the green-eyed monster.

"Jealousy creates hell on your face," declared psychologist Dr. Elayne Kahn.

"The stress and tension it creates furrows your forehead and turns down your mouth. It can also lead to nervous gestures like pursing your lips or grinding your teeth, both of which give your mouth and jaw a hard look."

But "this can be reversed," noted psychiatrist Dr. Mark Rubinstein says. Here are his suggestions:

● Build self-confidence by working for small achievements. If you become president of a civic organization and do a good job, don't be afraid to pat yourself on the back.

As your confidence grows, your jealousy is reduced.

● Work on looking better. Watch your weight. Physical attractiveness can increase self-confidence.

● Learn skills you can be proud of. Jealousy is insecurity, and if you develop your talents you will feel more secure.

Praise from others can make you look more youthful as your eyes sparkle and you stand up straighter.

Dr. Kahn added these helpful hints:

● Scale down your goals. Accept the fact that no one has everything. You simply are not going to be rich, beautiful and perfectly happily married. Forget about what you see on TV — it really doesn't exist.

● Realize that others may be jealous of you. You might be so stuck on what you don't have that you forget others may envy what you do have.

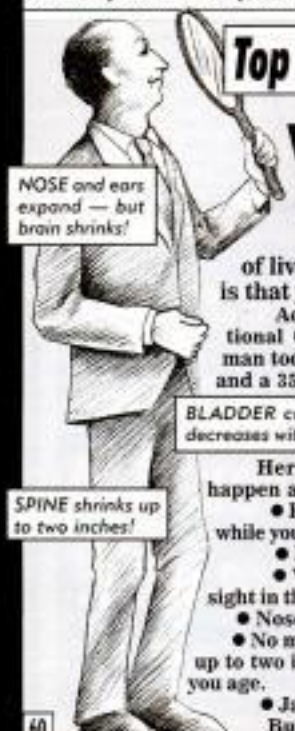
● Speak out about your jealousies. Tell your husband you're a teeny bit jealous of the time he spends with his secretary. He may laugh.

Or tell your friend you're jealous because life seems to have worked out so well for her. She may tell you things that show how lucky you are.

THE GREEN-EYED MONSTER "creates hell on your face," says Dr. Elayne Kahn.

Top docs have good news and bad news:

You'll live longer — but you'll fall apart!



The good news is that your chances of living longer are terrific — the bad news is that your body's going to be falling apart.

According to the federal government's National Center for Health Statistics, a 35-year-old man today has a great chance of living until he's 74 and a 35-year-old woman of making it to 80.

But along the way, your body's going to be showing a tremendous amount of wear and tear.

Here's some of the unappealing things that happen as you live longer:

● Hair recedes and the skull gets thicker. And while you may get wiser, your brain definitely shrinks.

● Ears get bigger, but your hearing decreases.

● Vision dims. Even those with perfect eyesight in their youth will need glasses to read by age 50.

● Nose gets longer by an inch.

● No matter how tall you are — you'll get shorter by up to two inches — because spinal discs deteriorate as you age.

● Jawbone shrinks and the skin on your face sags.

But despite these physical shortcomings and failures, there's no reason why you shouldn't be a healthy, functioning person with plenty of energy when you're 75.

Experts agree that the best way to age gracefully is to follow these health-giving tips:

● Eat low-fat foods and lots of whole-grain cereals, fresh vegetables and fruits.

● Get plenty of regular exercise.

● Cut down on salt-cured, nitrite-cured or smoked meats and foods.

● Quit smoking.

Drunk driver tries to flush out booze!

TROWBRIDGE, England — A drunk driver tried to dilute the level of alcohol in his bloodstream by gulping down water from the toilet bowl in his jail cell.

It didn't work. Duncan Sellers, 20, still failed a blood-alcohol test. A judge fined Sellers $225 and banned him from driving for a year.

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The 715-pound loverboy

'He's a ton of fun,' say wife — and girlfriend!

TIRLEMONT, Belgium — He's 715 quivering pounds of flabby lard and once worked as a circus freak — but incredibly, Willy is so irresistible to women that he has a wife, a mistress and dozens of gals chasing him!

"I've got one piece of advice for all blubbery guys: Forget your fat and smile and the women will come running," declares Willy, who goes by only his first name.

And his beautiful mistress, Chantal, said: "He's the most fantastic man in the world. I don't care that he looks like the back end of a bus and weighs as much as a horse.

"He might be thought of as repulsive to most people — but I think he's wonderful! To me, Willy's ugliness is beautiful."

His wife Julianne added: "He's an example to fat men all over the world.

"It's not true that women don't like flabby guys — they're the greatest. It's their personality, what is inside them, that counts!"

Amazingly, 6-foot-2 Willy — who has children by both his wife and mistress — says he's had a devastating effect on women all his life.

"I've never had a problem with the opposite sex," he noted.

"I'm always happy, I smile all the time and this comes through to my women. They like to grab hold of my fat — it gives them a feeling of security."

Willy's mistress Chantal said: "Life with Willy is fun," says his mistress Chantal. "Even though I have to share him with his wife, it's no problem. There's hardly a disagreement between us.

"The only trouble we ever have is when the other women try to get their hands on him. I have to shoo them away all the time."

Willy had a mohawk style haircut until he quit the circus, now runs a hot dog stand in his hometown. He lives with his wife, mistress and their three children by him. Both women love to cook for him, he says.

A typical meal for the mammoth Casanova includes two pounds of French fries, a pound of sausages and a half gallon of beer.

Willy's wife Julianne, who met him when he was working in a traveling circus where Willy worked as "The Elephant Man," confided:

"Willy was the biggest attraction I had. There's no doubt he's one of the fattest men — perhaps the fattest — in Europe.

"And it's true there were always dozens of women chasing him.

"They inquired at my office if he was married or wanted a girlfriend. Some even offered me money to introduce them to him!"

Said Willy: "People think I'm an ugly lump of lard, but I'm as happy as a pig in mud.

"There are nights when I lie in bed and thank God for the

REMEMBER WHEN A BUCK WAS A BUCK?

America's earliest settlers used deerskins as currency back before we minted our own loot — and that's why to this day we call a dollar a

For 20 years she waited on him hand and foot, then . . .

Blind man regains sight & dumps wife

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THIS 1995 PHOTO was taken during happier times for Gerda Fischer, who looked after her blind hubby's every need.

By JOE BERGER / *Weekly World News*

LINZ, Austria — Gentle Gerda Fischer waited on her blind hubby Karl like a slave for 20 backbreaking years, bringing light and love into his otherwise bleak and lonely world.

Then a freak accident miraculously restored Karl's sight, and the ungrateful cad gave Gerda the boot — for being too ugly.

"My Lord, I never dreamed she was such a dog!" the heartless hubby told reporters as he filed his petition for divorce.

"She's a sweet woman, and she was a wonderful wife while I was blind and didn't have to look at her. But now that I can see, I can't stand the thought of waking up next to someone who looks like her every morning. Now I only want beautiful people around me."

HEARTLESS HUBBY: "I never dreamed the woman I married was such a dog!"

. . . for being too ugly!

Goodhearted Gerda, 45, was a nurse doing volunteer work at a recreation center for the handicapped when she met her mate-to-be and fell in love back in 1977.

"I remember the first time I saw Karl, thinking what a handsome man he was," the heartsick missus told a divorce court. "He had been totally blind since he was a little boy, and he seemed so helpless and vulnerable.

"I fell head over heels for him and after a few weeks, we ran off and got married."

Adoring Gerda gave up her career to wait on her helpless hubby hand and foot. Together they operated a tiny ice cream shop down the street from their home.

"That woman treated Karl like a god," fumed Gerda's ticked-off sister Santa. "That bum would have been shut away in a home somewhere."

But Gerda's world turned topsy-turvy the day a fan toppled off a shelf in the ice cream store and clobbered her husband on the head.

"I was dazed, but when I got my senses back, I realized I had an extra one — I could see!" recalled creepy Karl, 47.

"Then I turned around and saw Gerda and I thought, 'My God, she's awful. How am I going to get out of this?'

"The next day I told her I was leaving."

Jilted Gerda granted her lady. "I just hope Karl finds a woman who's good enough for him now that he can see."

Rx for endangered trees: Plastic chopsticks!

TOKYO — Officials of a Japanese bank have announced they're going to help the environment — by

DEADLY MOLD SHOCKER!

TASHKENT, Russia — A deadly mold is running rampant in this Central Asian city, attacking humans and eating through concrete.

Two subway stations have been closed and sealed off during a year-long investigation into illnesses reported by train

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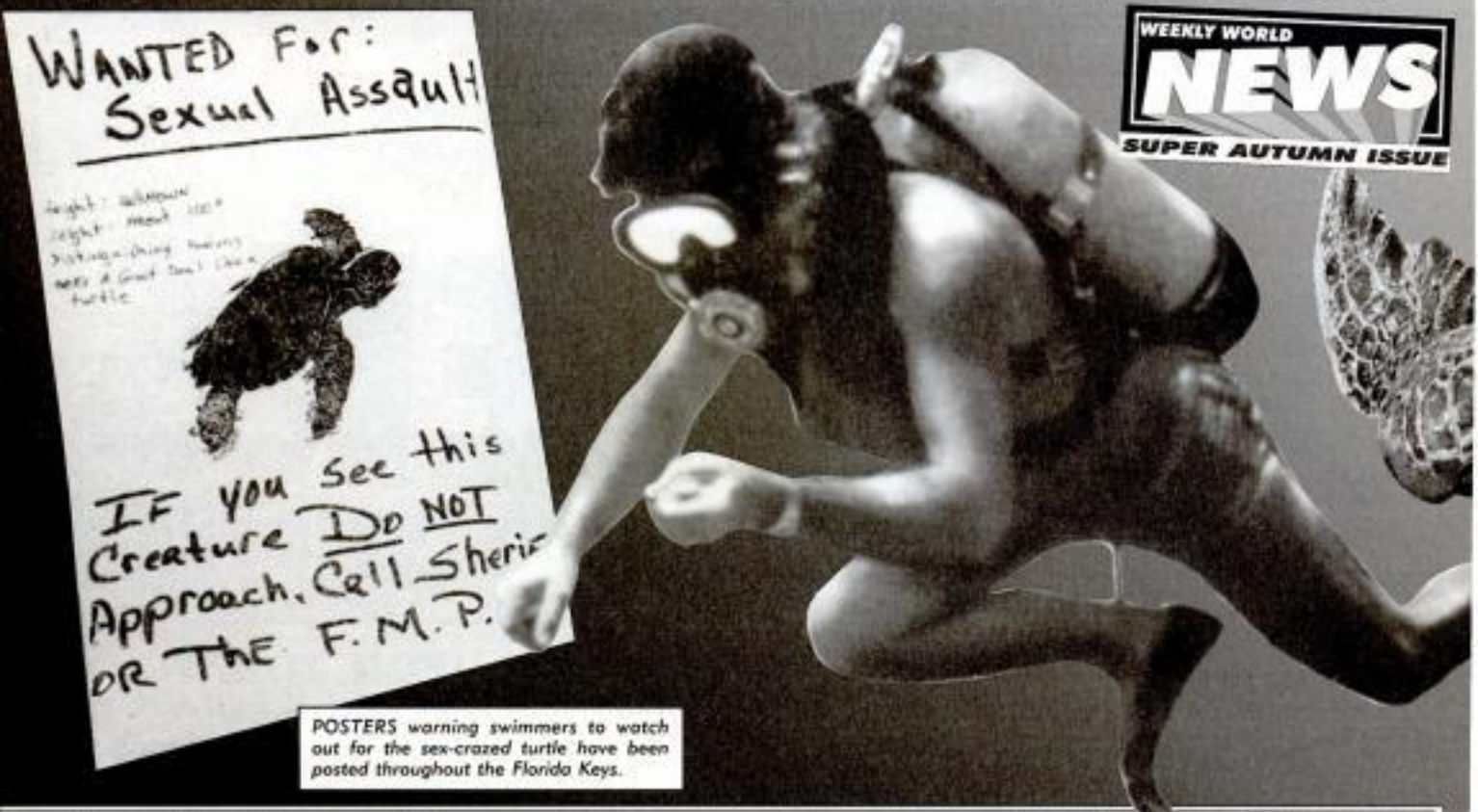

POSTERS warning swimmers to watch out for the sex-crazed turtle have been posted throughout the Florida Keys.

After drunken 'night on the town,' man gets the shock of his life!

ORLEANS, France — Hard-drinking Michel Anjouis woke up one morning after a wild night on the town and found two gerbils, a parrot and a pair of ferrets in his bedroom!

The poor guy had no idea where he got the critters, so he stopped by the police station to report the bizarre experience. Cops were delighted — and arrested him for breaking into a pet shop a few hours earlier. Anjouis' attorney said, "My client regrets his imbecility in consuming so much alcohol. He has no recollection of the burglary."

Singles club sued!

LISBON, Portugal — Lonely Jose Tavira, 24, says the local singles club set him up with women who were In fact, he says the club set him up with women who were titute and several were

ASSAULTING DIVERS

By JACK ALEXANDER

Weekly World News

ISLAMORADA, Fla. — A gigantic gay turtle is haunting the waters of the Florida Keys — attacking and sexually assaulting terrified scuba divers!

The sex-crazed turtle, estimated at a whopping 300 pounds, has assaulted three men in the last 10 days, authorities say. They believe it is the same turtle that attacked three other divers here in 1989.

"This is every bit as frightening as *Jaws*," said a Florida Marine Patrol officer. "All three of these divers feared for their lives.

"First, they were viciously attacked and second, they were pinned to the sea floor, where they easily could have drowned.

"Apparently, this creature is back in our waters again, just waiting for unsuspecting men to venture into his neighborhood."

One of the sea creature's victims was tourist Bruce Bolle of Charlotte, N.C., who was diving in search of fish for his saltwater aquarium when he noticed a huge shadow lurking above him.

Bruce Bolle

Suddenly, the huge turtle grabbed him and pushed him toward the bottom, then tried to mate with him.

"The damn thing tried to rape me," Bolle, 28, told the *NEWS*.

"I don't know if he was confused or just wanted sex with the first thing he saw."

Bolle broke free but found he was still in trouble.

"The damn thing grabbed me again, this time by my flippers, and tried to take me down again," he said.

"He was definitely trying to have sex with me, and I was terrified. I was afraid I couldn't get away because he was so strong and heavy."

Bolle believes the strength he gained as a weightlifter and his 220-pound frame allowed him to break free.

"A smaller person would have been drowned or raped," he said.

Another diver wasn't as lucky. He was attacked in shallow water and raped.

"The guy doesn't want his name released because he is embarrassed," the marine officer said.

"And who can blame him? Nobody wants to be famous for having been seduced by a turtle."

A third diver fought his way to freedom — but not without several scrapes and bruises — after a nighttime dive.

The unidentified man was treated at a local hospital and left without talking to officers investigating the attacks.

Officials have posted signs in prominent locations throughout the Keys warning swimmers and divers to beware of the sex-mad creature.

"This thing is frightening people," the marine officer said.

"Nobody wants to stick a toe in the water. If we don't catch him, it's just a matter of time before he drowns someone."

GIGANTIC SEA *turtle weighs at least 300 pounds.*

SEXY SEA TURTLE first made headlines in 1989 when three male divers reported its sexual assaults against them.

HOW TO STEAL ANOTHER WOMAN'S MAN!

ROMANCE EXPERT *Shaydie Sori teaches a course on man-hunting.*

PHOTO © WORLD PICTURE PRESS

By JUNE SAWYER / *Weekly World News*

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NEW YORK — An expert in romance has some shocking advice for single gals in search of a good man: Just steal one from another woman!

If the good men are already taken, the only answer is to take 'em back, says Shaydie Sori, who teaches a course in manhunting to scores of eager ladies in New York City.

"We all know there's a shortage of men," says Shaydie, a stunning brunette. "And the best guys are taken.

"If you're going to get what you want, you have to be ruthless. All's fair in love and war. In my course you learn how to play the games that mom never taught you."

FOR GALS ONLY!

Here are sexy Shaydie's tips on how to steal another woman's man:

● Bump into him accidentally. Once you have the right guy in your sights, show up at places where you know he'll be. But make him think it's just a lucky coincidence.

● Make a dazzling first impression. Act confident, even if you don't feel that way. Dress to kill.

● Lie. Don't let the truth get in the way of your goal — winning that man. Tell him anything to get him to dump his wife or girlfriend!

● Make him smile. Men want to forget their worries. Keep him happy and you'll keep him.

● Listen. Guys love to talk about themselves. Make him feel his every word fascinates you.

● Snow his friends. With the people close to him on your side, chances are good you'll have HIM at your side.

● Pay your own way. Men don't want to be seen as just a gravy train.

They love a woman who is willing to open up her pocketbook and pay for half of everything.

● Make him jealous. Date other men and tell him about it. If you don't have extra beaus, lie. Men want a gal that other men want. Don't brag about sex with others — that's hard on a guy's ego.

● Talk cheap. Drive him wild with sexy words. Men love to have women to share sexy secrets with.

● Save sex till last. You want the anticipation to be so strong that he won't think twice about dumping his wife for the chance to dive between the sheets with you. Make sure he's hooked before you take the leap — then give him the best sex he's ever had.

Top SEX-pert's shocking tips your mom never taught you

Bad moods are contagious!

If your boss is in bad humor, stay out of his way — because moods really are contagious, a top expert warns.

Feelings like anger, joy and irritability are "catching," according to Los Angeles psychiatrist Ronald Podell. "They can spread just like any cold or flu, infecting all who come in close contact with them," said Podell, author of the new book *Contagious Emotions* (Pocket Books). "Not only are spouses affected, but children, parents, friends and co-workers as well," said the expert.

Study reveals:

PETS PREVENT HEART ATTACKS!

OWNING a pet reduces cholesterol levels.

Having a pet in your home can significantly reduce the risk of heart disease, says a startling new medical study.

Men who own pets have reduced cholesterol levels, blood triglycerides and blood pressure, according to a survey of 5,741 people between the ages of 20 and 60. Women from 40 to 59

"He who trusts all things

Middle-class parents are spoiling their kids rotten!

LOS ANGELES — A survey of upper middle-class southern California parents shows they're spoiling their kids rotten, giving them an average of $15,235 in presents each year — and $156 every time a baby tooth falls out!

Sociologists who conducted the research say a combination of guilt and one-upmanship is causing the neurotic pampering.

"Parents feel guilty because their work prevents researcher. "And they also want to make sure their neighbors know they love their kids. So they buy them anything they want."

Here are some of the amazing things the survey revealed:

● On any given day, in upper middle-class school districts, at least 19 percent

er clothes costing more than $1,000.

● Couples with a combined annual income of $70,000 spend more than 21 percent of their yearly income on children's gifts.

● Parents playing the roll of "tooth fairy" take their kids teeth from under their pillow — and

TWILIGHT ZONE SHOCKER

Woman orders item from an old 1936 newspaper ... AND IT ARRIVES!

By JOE KANE
Weekly World News

CIRCLES show old newspaper ad that Rosalie Bodnaruk recently ordered merchandise from as a lark. Three weeks later, her order arrived! Experts theorize her mailed request went back in time through a time warp.

BALTIMORE, Md.— Rosalie Bodnaruk couldn't believe her eyes when the silver serving set that she jokingly ordered from a 61-year-old newspaper ad arrived at her doorstep — in a box postmarked 1936!

Even stranger, the company she ordered the set from, Hearns of New York, went out of business in the 1950s.

"This is like something out of *The Twilight Zone*," said the 69-year-old woman. "I never expected to get anything. I ordered the silver on a lark.

"But it came to my doorstep and my postman does not know anything about it.

"When I told him what happened he looked at me like I was a nut."

The mind-numbing drama began when Mrs. Bodnaruk ran across a copy of the Nov. 8, 1936, edition of *The New York Sunday News* while going through boxes in her attic.

She spotted a Hearns ad for various baby items and silver services on page 38 and decided to order a few pieces "just to see how the company would respond."

"I jotted down what I wanted on a slip of paper. I didn't even send any money," said Mrs. Bodnaruk. "Sixteen or 17 days later the silver service arrived and the box it was in had a 1936 postmark.

"I tried to call Hearns to find out what was going on but the 1950s." Postal authorities couldn't explain how the woman got the package but speculated that she might have ordered the service in 1936 and that it somehow got lost in the mail.

Mrs. Bodnaruk says that's not possible because she lived in New Jersey in 1936 and didn't move to Baltimore — where the package arrived — until 1987.

Experts on the paranormal contacted by *Weekly World News* said the only possible explanation is that the woman's letter to Hearns had slipped through a time warp and the silver service was delivered the same way.

"The thing that really puzzles me is how many people were ultimately involved," said one researcher.

"The woman's letter was obviously handled by two or more postal workers from the past as well as company clerks, order-fillers and a shipping department.

"This is definitely a case for the textbooks.

"It's something you can

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UFO SPHERES ARE FALLING FROM THE SKY!

IT CAME FROM OUTER SPACE. Terry and Gerri Betz found a sphere in their Texas backyard.

By BEATRICE DEXTER / *Weekly World News*

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — Mysterious metallic spheres from outer space are raining down on our planet and baffled scientists from around the world say they are at a loss to explain the frightening phenomenon.

The shiny, 24-pound space balls have landed in backyards and farm fields from Argentina to Sweden over the past six-month period, experts say. They are made of a strange brilliant metal-like substance and have been observed to move on their own.

To date, 122 of the spheres have been found worldwide, but scientists believe many more may be yet undiscovered. Attempts to crack open the dense metal-like balls or to X-ray them to see what's inside have failed because of the unique qualities of the spheres' outer shells.

"We have no idea where these things come from or why all of a sudden they are streaming in from outer space," said Dr. Tord Jorberg, head of Sweden's Space and Atmospheric Institute. "They continue to arrive almost daily now and their numbers appear to be increasing."

Only one of the space balls is known to have landed in the United States, where it wound up in a vegetable garden belonging to Gerri Betz of Texas. Mrs. Betz found the sphere in her backyard and carried it into their home, where they saw it roll about on its own. Frightened, they reported the find to authorities.

Other spheres have been found in China, Great Britain, Sweden, Kenya, Portugal, Indonesia, Russia, South Africa, Afghanistan, Canada and Denmark, Dr. Jorberg says.

"The spheres fall mainly in the northern hemisphere and seem to arrive after dark, the scientist said.

"We believe that many of them may not be discovered because they land while people are sleeping. We observed that the spheres move and that if they are in the same area they will tend to roll toward each other. Twice now we have found 'nests' of the spheres where up to half a dozen had gathered together."

'They are NOT of this Earth,' warns Dr. Tord Jorberg

In a special meeting on the strange spheres held last month at the Space and Atmospheric Institute, a number of scientists expressed concern that the spheres may be alien spacecraft that contain an unknown — and potentially dangerous — life-form.

They argue that the spheres should be destroyed, if they can be destroyed, before some unknown danger to Earth arises out of them. But other experts argue that the spheres may be a form of communication from a friendly planet or simply a fall of rare and unusual meteorites.

"Several nations have mounted extensive studies on the spheres because there is some concern about them," Dr. Jorberg said.

NEWS readers who find heavy metal spheres which match the description of

Doc's advice to smokers: Drink more beer!

Researchers have discovered an amazing medicine for smokers in their fight against deadly, breathtaking emphysema — drink at least two beers a day.

Smokers who guzzle at least two beers daily are

RESEARCH REVEALS:

French folks stink to high heaven!

PARIS — If you believe the French are all a bunch of debonair hunks and sweet-scented sex kittens, think again. The truth is, most French folks stink to high heaven!

That's the startling conclusion of researcher Jacques Dumond, who surveyed the hygiene habits of 3,000 French guys and gals — and learned that 30 percent of them change their underwear less than once a week.

The pollster also found that most French men and women bathe so seldom they use only two bars of soap a year.

"We are supposed to be a nation of lovers," Dumond said. "But instead, we are a nation of dirt lovers. We stink like kangaroos in a cage."

And incredibly, the researcher concluded that Frenchmen have always been turned on by belles who smell like three-day-old garbage.

KEEP MOM AND DAD'S LOVE STORY TO YOURSELF

OXFORD, England — Do you love to tell that romantic story about how your parents first met? Well, hold back — it's the biggest mistake you could possibly make, scientists caution.

A group of physicists convening here has concluded that time machines will be a reality within the next 12 years.

And they warn that some unscrupulous individuals might use the devices to travel into the past and prevent their enemies from being born.

"Telling others how

MONKEY BOY BOOTED OUT OF SCHOOL FOR GROWING A BEARD!

"It's not my fault I have hair on my face," says third-grader Henry Cotter.

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By **SUSAN JIMISON** / *Weekly World News*

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Fuzz-bustin' school officials have kicked third-grader Henry Cotter out of school — because the cute little 8-year-old has grown a beard!

The monkey boy's parents, Frank and Mary Cotter, plan to fight their son's expulsion. They say Henry can't shave because his young skin is too tender and that it's unfair to kick the boy out of school.

The hairy-faced third-grader has become the focus of national attention ever since school officials informed his parents the boy could no longer attend public school.

He has appeared on television interviews sporting his brown beard and explaining that he wants to go to school with the other kids his age.

"It's not my fault that I have hair on my face," he told a newscaster. "They should let me study like my friends do."

Henry was born perfectly healthy and developed normally for the first six years of his life, according to news reports.

But when he was 7 years old he grew a fine fuzz on his chin and cheeks and several months later it developed into a full beard.

The Cotters took the child to doctors, who diagnosed his bizarre condition as the result of a premature onset of puberty. They told the worried parents that the condition — although rare — was not harmful.

Today, Henry's face is covered with a scruffy one-inch-long growth which has to be trimmed once a week.

"He tried shaving it off, but he has such a five-o'clock shadow that he really needs to shave twice a day," said Frank Cotter, a bus mechanic. "But when he shaves twice a day, his skin gets all raw and sore. We decided it was better for him to have the beard."

Cotter says his son gets along well with a few close friends, but that he is often taunted when he goes out on the street or meets kids he doesn't know. And the wrong with him, that's obvious," said one father of a student in Henry's class. "I don't want my daughter going to school where they have some hairy freak sitting in the desk next to her."

The Cotters have enrolled their son in a private tutoring program until the ruckus over his beard settles down. But they say they plan to sue the Johannesburg school board if their child isn't eventually returned to public school.

"Just because a child has a super-high male hormone level for his age is no reason to treat him like a monster," an angry Cotter said.

"We want Henry to have a normal life."

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Angry parents want 8-year-old boy back in class: 'He's hairy — but he's no freak'

Australians invent high-tech air-conditioning system!

SYDNEY, Australia — Australian researchers claim to have invented an air-conditioning system so advanced it adjusts the temperature in a building based on the type of clothes occupants are wearing.

Adelaide University scientists say with their system, air inside a building will never be too hot or too cold. The new technology is being tested in a Melbourne shopping mall and a 50-story building in Perth.

If you can't be thankful for what you receive, be thankful for what you escape.

Simple tips increase your chances of living to 100!

You can boost your chances of living 100 years or more with tips from 25 folks between the ages of 101 to 115.

- **Never go to bed angry.**
- **If you smoke or drink, don't fret about it.**
- **Take time to relax.**
- **Don't drive at night if you can possibly avoid it.**
- **Have lots of children and enjoy them.**
- **Try to do something nice for somebody every day.**
- **Don't let anything get under your skin.**

Romantic Men's romantic feelings for their girl-

FAMILY'S BABIES WERE ALL BORN ON NEW YEAR'S DAY — FOR THE LAST 76 YEARS

NAMSOS, Norway — The big news here is that the Hyrrod family has continued its incredible 76-year tradition of New Year's babies.

Great-grandmother Ingrid started the amazing streak when she was born on Jan. 1, 1921. She gave birth to her daughter Anna on the same date in 1944. Anna gave birth to Ava on New Year's Day in 1972 and Ava continued the streak this past January 1 when her daughter Anne was born.

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MUSIC LOWERS YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE

By MOE BUSTINA / *Weekly World News*

Music can help lower blood pressure, reduce your heart rate, help you relax, raise your tolerance to pain, reduce stress, relieve insomnia, remove anxieties and help you through housework, top doctors say.

In fact, music can not only make you healthier, it can make you happier as well, the experts add.

"The benefits happen within 30 minutes of listening to music that pleases you," said psychiatrist Dr. Anthony Pietropinto.

"And the nice part about it is that you can receive all the benefits of listening right in your own home, in a favorite chair or lying down on a couch."

"Music is invaluable in helping us reduce the stress we encounter in everyday life. Often in my practice I prescribe music as an antidote for a depressed patient.

"Time and time again I have seen music cure the blues. It is almost miraculous the way people who are depressed respond positively to music."

Cardiologist Dr. Raymond Bahr said:

"Every one of us would benefit from getting into the relaxed state which soothing music promotes.

"We have found that soothing music in the coronary care unit promotes proper rest, which then reduces elevated heart rate and blood pressure."

according to psychiatrist Dr. Clancy McKenzie.

"Music's powerful effect on the human body is sometimes more beneficial than drugs," he said. "If insomniacs allow themselves to concentrate on the soothing influence of their favorite music, before long they're drifting off."

And as many mothers know, music helps restless babies.

Pain expert Dr. Gerald Aronoff noted that "music helps an individual to suffer less with pain."

He added that any therapy including music which can allow an individual to be distracted from pain and lessen anxiety has a "positive effect on pain tolerance."

Dr. Pietropinto agreed. "Music is invaluable to patients who have to deal with pain on a daily basis. Its calming influence is also a reason many people listen to music while performing daily tasks.

"It doesn't matter what you like. Whether it be classical, country or anything else, the kind of mu-

BRATS KILL BABYSITTER — & feed her to pet poodles!

EVIL KIDS Derek and Margaret Smith would have gotten away with murder if they'd had more time to get rid of the body, say cops.

SYDNEY, Australia — Two vicious 6-year-olds got mad at their babysitter and clubbed her to death, cops say — then fed her corpse to their prize-winning poodles!

The evil kids — Derek Smith and his stepsister Margaret — are being held by police.

The family's seven dogs were destroyed and the partial remains of victim Thelma Watkins, 44, were recovered from their stomachs.

"What we found was right out of a horror movie," said police investigator Harold Anderson.

"The kids were bloodthirsty. They beat Mrs. Watkins to death with their father's golf clubs because she wouldn't let them have a soft drink between meals. Then apparently they panicked and decided to dispose of the body by feeding it to the dogs. They had to help the dogs out, of course, so they chopped the lady up with kitchen knives."

The grisly crime was discovered when a neighbor working in her yard heard screams and

BABYSITTER Thelma Watkins

By BEATRICE DEXTER
Weekly World News

thumping in the house where the children lived, followed by an eerie silence.

Suspicious, she knocked on their door and found the kids alone in the house and covered with blood. The neighbor telephoned police, who arrived in time to find the family's seven purebred standard poodles polishing off the last of Mrs. Watkins.

"The kids might have gotten away with it if they'd had just a little more time to dispose of the body and clean up the mess," Detective Anderson said. "When we got there they had already bathed and changed their clothes.

"At first they denied that Mrs. Watkins had even been there, but when we saw the bloody dogs the children confessed. The little girl said the babysitter deserved what she got because she was 'a mean, ugly, old lady and she wouldn't do what we wanted.'"

PRIZED PET poodles feasted on babysitter Thelma Watkins, 44.

The children's parents, off on a short vacation, returned home and went into seclusion after police informed them of the crime.

The pint-size killers are being held in a juvenile home. Authorities say they haven't decided how to deal with defendants so young.

"These kids are just out of kindergarten," Det. Anderson said. "But they're totally unlike any kids I've ever known.

"They're very dangerous — and they don't feel the least bit guilty about

HOW TO AVOID BEING BURIED ALIVE!

SAO PAULO, Brazil — Geraldo Lopes invented an electronic beeper that provides "absolute security against being buried alive." He claims that people are "laid to rest" every day, even though they are alive. His device uses sensors that sound an alarm at the

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ASTROLOGICAL TO SEDUCING MAN WOMAN

YOU don't have to be as beautiful as this super model to successfully seduce a mate.

PASADENA, Calif. — You can win the man or woman of your dreams — simply by learning his or her astrological sign and applying a few simple techniques based on the zodiac!

That's right. Noted Spanish astrologer Marta Lasidor says you can make your would-be lover fall for you, head over heels — by tailoring your approach to his or her sun sign.

"They say knowledge is power," writes Miss Lasidor in her forthcoming book, *Planets and Passion: The Sign by Sign Guide to Love and Romance.*

"And there's no more powerful knowledge you can attain in the quest for love than your heartthrob's specific likes and dislikes in the area of romance.

"The wonderful thing about astrology is that you can use it whether you are rich or poor, attractive or plain — even if your potential lover has seemed indifferent to you up to now.

"The secret is finding out what he or she is attracted to in a lover — and letting him or her see those qualities in you."

Here are some of Miss Lasidor's tips on how to charm that perfect person into your life. The men and women of each sign are listed below, along with how to draw them to you:

ARIES
MAR. 21 — APR. 19

ARIES MAN — Be completely honest with him — even to the point of bluntness. He admires candor above all else.

ARIES WOMAN — She loves energy and enthusiasm. When you talk to her, use lots of gestures and vary your vocal inflections.

TAURUS
APR. 20 — MAY 20

TAURUS MAN — He's the most sensuous guy in the zodiac. Give him gifts that are pleasing to the sense of touch, like silk shirts, a smooth marble sculpture or satin sheets.

TAURUS WOMAN — She too is sensuous. She loves beautiful sounds. Give her a CD featuring harp music. Take her to a concert. Or invite her to join you for an evening walk in the country as the crickets and night birds are beginning to call.

GEMINI
MAY 21 — JUNE 20

GEMINI MAN — He loves to be teased. Dress sexy — right up to the point of trampiness. But if he makes a move on you, don't give in too fast.

GEMINI WOMAN — She's flighty and hates to be tied down. In conversation, let her know you're willing to change subjects as quickly and whimsically as she does.

CANCER
JUNE 21 — JULY 22

CANCER MAN — He loves women who don't take his moodiness personally. Let him know you're free and flexible. Don't let your own mood depend on his. If he's down in the dumps, tell him jokes and laugh a lot. He'll cheer up soon — and credit you.

CANCER WOMAN — She likes intellectual men. Read a few books and be ready to talk to her about them. Give her a puzzle as a gift.

LEO
JULY 23 — AUG. 22

LEO MAN — The best approach you can use on this guy is to walk right up and compliment him. But be sincere. Don't say he has a great voice if he sounds like a rusty gate. He loves to hear good things about himself. But he can sense phoniness.

LEO WOMAN — She likes wittiness but hates long, structured jokes. Think of some short, clever things to say and, when you see her, sprinkle them into your conversation.

VIRGO
AUG. 23 - SEPT. 22

VIRGO MAN — He's an idealist — sometimes short on humor. To impress him, draw him into conversations about honesty, morality and ethics . . . and listen thoughtfully.

VIRGO WOMAN — She wants to know you admire her mind. Compliment her on her observations, her choice of furniture and her brand of automobile. Above all, NEVER tell her a dirty joke.

LIBRA
SEPT. 23 — OCT. 22

LIBRA MAN — This guy is Mr. Romance. Send him valentines in July. Call him on the spur of the moment and ask him to join you for a moonlight walk.

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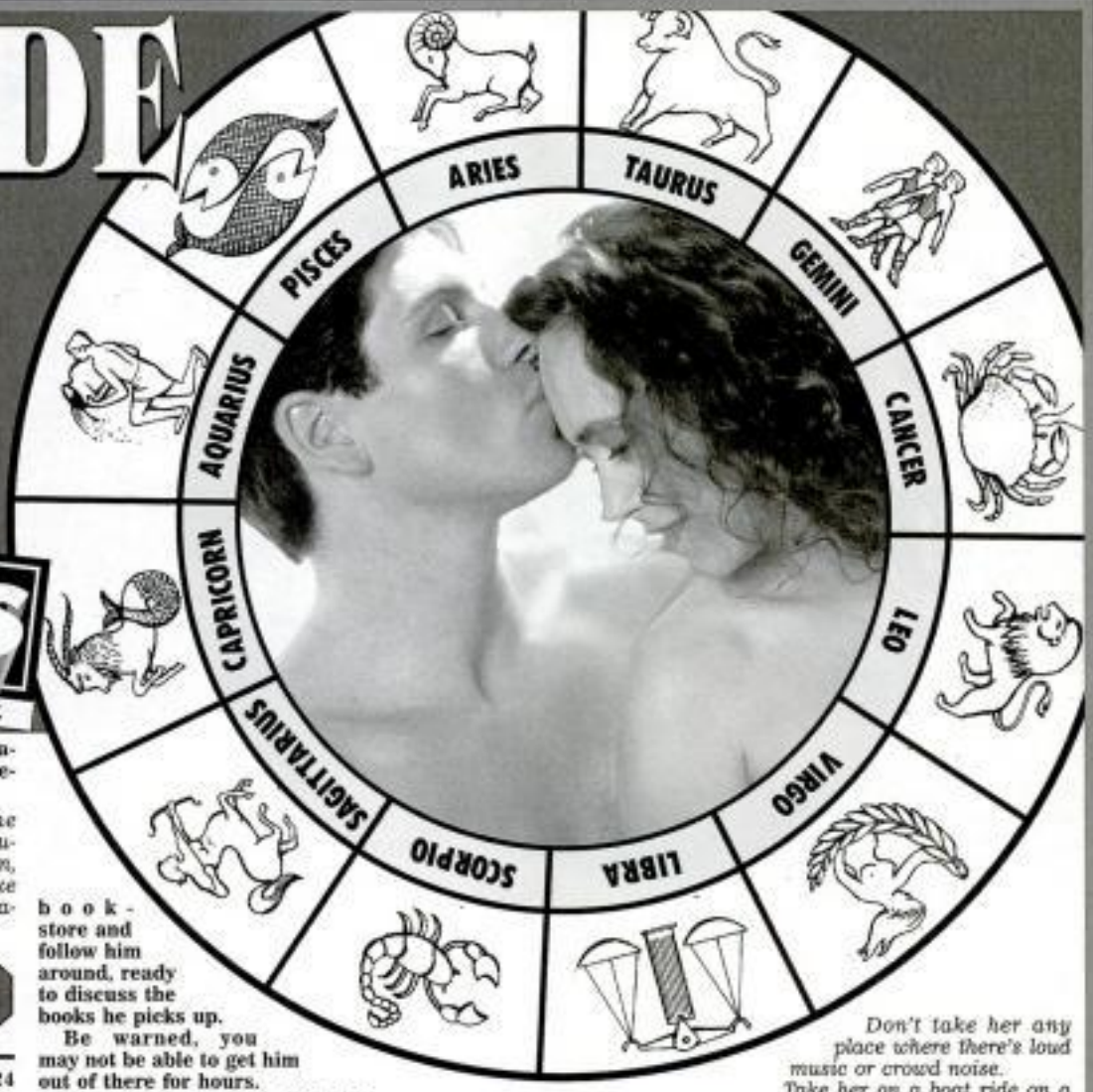

Dedicate a song to him on the radio. But don't cross the line between romantic and raunchy.

LIBRA WOMAN — She loves the sound of stringed instruments. If you play guitar or violin, you're halfway there. If not, take her to a small cafe where they feature flamenco music.

SCORPIO
OCT. 23 — NOV. 21

SCORPIO MAN — These guys think about sex 24 hours a day. Without throwing yourself at him, let him know you're not afraid of your own sexual feelings. Tell him there's nothing you hate more than censorship, and that you loved the movie *Basic Instinct*.

SCORPIO WOMAN — To attract her, be mysterious. She loves enigmas. Your favorite answer to her questions should be, "I'll tell you when I know you better." Cultivate a deep, world-weary look and give her the impression you're an iceberg — that most of your life is below the surface.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV. 22 — DEC. 21

SAGITTARIUS MAN — He's an intellectual and philosopher. If you want to knock him off his feet, take him to a book-store and follow him around, ready to discuss the books he picks up.

Be warned, you may not be able to get him out of there for hours.

But when you do he'll think you're wonderful.

SAGITTARIUS WOMAN — You'd better be honest with this one. She can spot a lie 20 miles away. She would rather hear no compliment at all than listen to a false one.

To amend an old adage: If you can't say anything true, don't say anything at all.

CAPRICORN
DEC. 22 — JAN. 19

CAPRICORN MAN — He's economical to a fault. To make an impression on him, let him know you don't need expensive things to be happy.

If he asks where you want to go for dinner, suggest McDonald's.

If you want to see a movie, suggest one you can get in free to see, say "Anything at the dollar cinema."

CAPRICORN WOMAN — She's materialistic. Tell her you're ambitious.

No matter what you do for a living, tell her you won't always be there, that you'll be running the company someday.

As a gift, she'd rather have jewelry than something useful.

AQUARIUS
JAN. 20 — FEB. 18

AQUARIUS MAN — He's Mr. Fix-it. If you want to please him, give him a broken machine or ask him to change a flat tire. Then tell him you're impressed when he takes care of it.

AQUARIUS WOMAN — Don't take her any place where there's loud music or crowd noise.

Take her on a boat ride on a quiet lake and avoid talking too much.

PISCES
FEB. 19 — MAR. 20

PISCES MAN — He hates complications and tends to be an escapist. To please him, tell him your big dream in life is to get away to a South Seas island and live a simple life.

PISCES WOMAN — She loves to play. As a gift, nothing makes her happier than a board game or a deck of cards. On a date, take her to a miniature golf course or a video arcade.

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These are just a few of the many hints found in Miss Lasidor's 329-page book due out in

YODA is up for adoption — but will only go to someone who will love her.

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Yo, Yoda!

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ST. LOUIS, Mo. — This frisky kitty named Yoda nearly lost both ears in a heartbreaking case of animal abuse, but a nimble-fingered surgeon managed to reattach them — and now the mischievous mouser is on her way to a happy new life!

Adorable Yoda's ears were nearly severed when her owner's 4-year-old son looped a rubber band under her chin and around her ears. Over time, the rubber band cut into the pitiful kitten's ears and nearly sliced them off.

"The owner brought the cat in to us, and at first nobody realized what was wrong with the poor thing because the rubber band was concealed by her fur," said Rosemary Ficken, a supervisor at this city's Animal Regulation Center. "We were taking her picture and somebody held her chin up to get a better shot and that's when we discovered the problem. We got her to the vet right away and he managed to put her back together again."

The surgery left the feisty, 4-month-old feline's ears sticking out like the wings on a DC-9 — prompting captivated staffers at the animal center to dub her Yoda, after the pointy-eared character in *Star Wars*.

"Since Yoda's story hit the papers, we've had more than 120 calls from people wanting to adopt her," the center supervisor said. "So we're going to take our time and do a painstaking investigation of all the applicants — and this time Yoda's going to wind up in a nice home with people who will love her."

SUPERSTITIONS ARE GOOD FOR YOU!

Superstitions can help you reach your goals by making you feel lucky and giving you more confidence, says a psychologist.

"People may carry a lucky penny or charm with them, for example. That makes them feel lucky, which in turn gives them confidence so they can accomplish more," declared Dr. Elayne Kahn.

"Take the case of a guy who wants to ask his boss for a raise. He's scared and tongue-tied, so he takes his lucky charm lucky, confident, and more in control, so he's better able to make his case for a raise, said Dr. Kahn, co-author of *1001 Ways You Reveal Your Personality*.

And superstitions can also help people ease their anxieties, Dr. Kahn revealed.

"For example, your daughter is 42 and you would like her to get married, or your husband just lost his job.

"These are situations you probably don't have much control over and would bone, for instance, you feel that you're doing something to bring about the change you want — and this can alleviate your anxiety over a situation you can't control."

And gambling superstitions — like always playing a certain number — increase your enjoyment of a game by making you feel luckier and more likely to win, added Dr. Kahn.

"So superstitions are one of the few

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- ☐ 17) Bet, win and become the friend of all the rich men.
- ☐ 18) Not having to borrow a penny any more.
- ☐ 19) Buy me a sailboat.
- ☐ 20) Become boss of the people that are now my bosses.
- ☐ 21) Win so much money that I'd be able to live on a Caribbean island without having to work.
- ☐ 22) Have a house on the beach.
- ☐ 23) Get a better job.
- ☐ 24) Look for a new wife or a new husband.
- ☐ 25) Be loved.
- ☐ 26) Marry the person of my dreams.
- ☐ 27) Be attractive to the men.
- ☐ 28) Be attractive to the women.
- ☐ 29) Have success on T.V.
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ALL FOREIGN ORDERS must add **$ 5.00** (**U.S. Dollars only**) for Shipping & Special Handling and must send International Money Order or Bank Draft payable in U.S. Dollars only.

Enclosed is my check/money order for $_____ (U.S. dollars only)

Indicate in these boxes the numbers of the seven wishes that you wish to come true.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Name _____

Address _____